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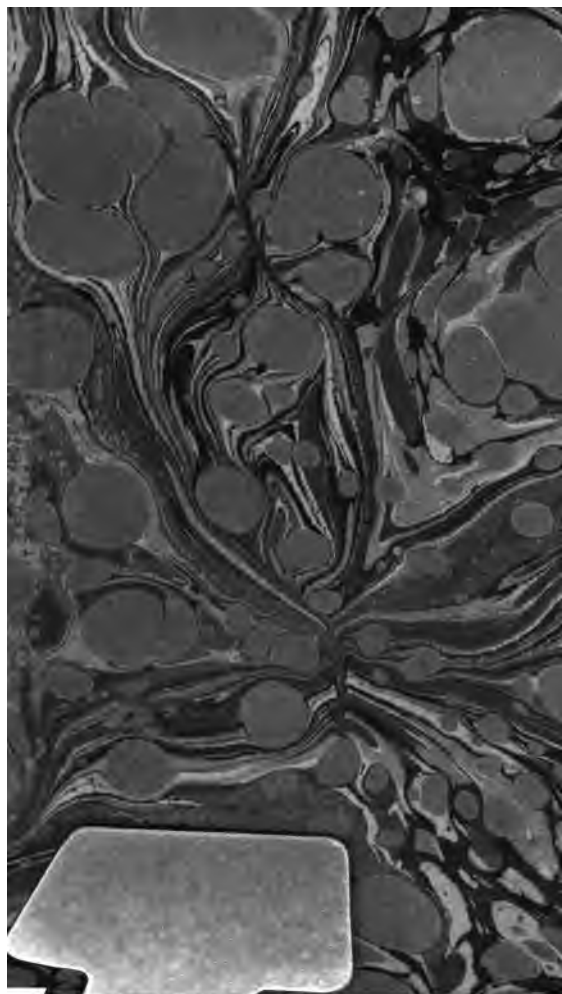
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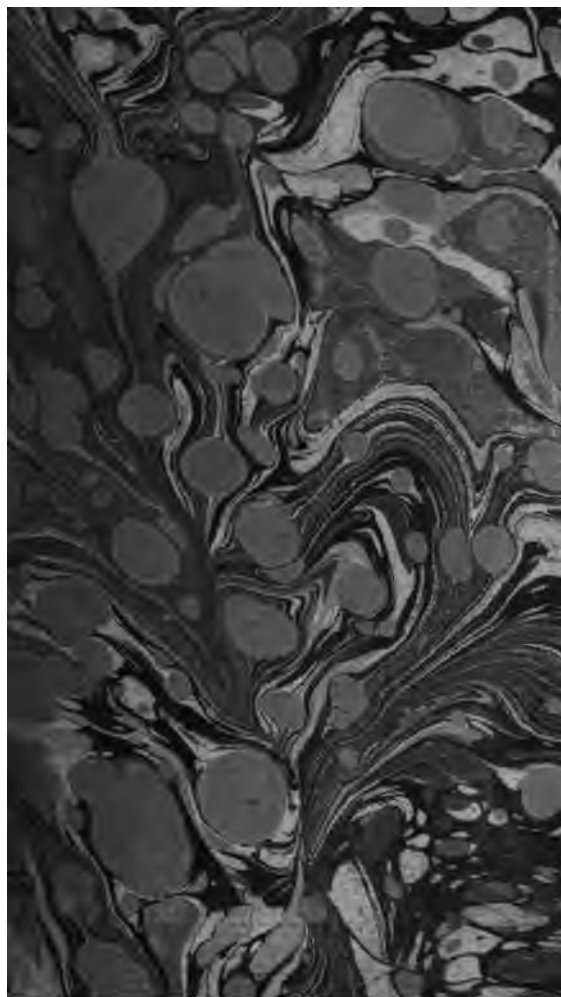
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P R E F A C E.

THAT singing psalms, and hymns, and spiritual songs, was practised by the primitive Christians in their assemblies cannot, I think, be well denied: but that which gives this ordinance a higher sanction than can possibly be derived from custom or human authority, is the practice of our Lord himself, who, the same night on which he was betrayed, after supper, before he went out to the mount of Olives, sang a hymn with his disciples. St. Paul too, writing to the Colossians, says, “ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, “ in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing “ one another in psalms, and hymns, and “ spiritual songs; singing with grace in your “ hearts to the Lord.” From hence it is plain that singing in the church of Christ is intended for edification and improvement; that, whilst the tongue is employed in sounding the praises of the Lord, the heart may be *feelingly engaged in an exercise truly spiritual and heavenly.*

The natural man may be captivated and charmed with soft melodious sounds, with smoothly flowing numbers, and elegant expressions; but, as it is only a spiritual man who can pray with the spirit and understanding, so it is only the spiritual man who can sing with the spirit and understanding: for, as all men cannot receive our Lord's sayings, and none but those to whom it is given; so no man can sing the songs of Zion but the citizens of Zion; nor can the Lord's song be sung in a strange land.

If singing in the church of Christ be a part of public worship, how inconsistent must it be with true devotion, and the solemn service of our God, to endeavour, by musical sounds, a well-toned organ, flighty, flashy, airy, or (as they are called) lively tunes, to amuse and entertain the carnal mind? How offensive must it be, to those who are seriously disposed (deeply impressed perhaps with the truths which they have heard, and wishing to go home with the sweet favour of those truths upon their minds), to hear a tune adapted to a song or a dance? By this their meditations are interrupted, and they

are ready to say with Paul, " Despise ye the " church of Christ?" This cannot be considered as teaching and admonishing one another; but this is doing the devil's work to purpose, whose business it is, when the seed is sown, to try to pick it up, that it may not sink into the heart, and strike root there.

No less inconsistent with the solemnity of public worship, and the importance of gospel truths, are all poetic fictions, flights of fancy, and pindaric strains, which must be infinitely below a subject, of itself so sublime, that every attempt to set it off must be a disparagement to it. Nothing becomes the worship of God like plainness and simplicity. All the shews, parade, pomp, and pageantry of worship are only anti-christian inventions, intended to deceive by working upon the passions. In these things there is no manifestation of the truth as in the sight and fear of God; no glory to Christ; no spiritual consolation or edification to the souls of men; but a poor attempt to please the flesh and gratify the carnal mind.

By many singing is practised, *professedly, with a design to draw a congregation; or, as it*

is pretended, to get people under the word.— How awful is this! Are these preachers of the gospel? Do these profess to have been awakened and enlightened by the Spirit of God? Is this depending upon the Lord to bless their labours, and give success to their ministry? I should as soon suppose that there could be communion betwixt light and darkness, and concord betwixt Christ and Belial, as that the truth, power, and purity of the gospel could consist with such time-serving, man-pleasing, self-seeking, contrivances and compliances.— “ He, who soweth to the flesh, shall of the flesh reap corruption.” According to this scripture we may easily and infallibly determine, upon the divine veracity, what will be the end of this carnal policy. Whoever adopts this method of drawing a congregation must have recourse to similar expedients to keep it. If such pains are taken to gratify the ear with musical sounds, the greatest pains, doubtless, will be taken not to offend with the unpleasing sounds of a free, full, and *finished* salvation, man's total depravity by nature, and the necessity of being born again.

However there may be some faint resemblance of the gospel for a little time in such a congregation, it is impossible it should continue; nay, the very outward form or appearance of godliness must soon be lost.

In making the following Collection of Hymns, my aim has been to make choice of those which are agreeable to the feelings of my own heart, and contain those doctrines for which I wish earnestly to contend, according to the ability which God hath given me; ever sensible that, as my sufficiency, so my success, must be of him. If any expressions in the hymns which I had chosen appeared in any measure doubtful, so as not to express my meaning so fully and plainly as I could wish, I have taken the liberty of making such alterations as I conceived would best express my own real sentiments.

Some of these hymns are my own, written from my own feelings and experience, from truths opened and applied to my own heart, or from hints borrowed from other hymns. I had intended at first to have marked these; but, as *my name will*, I know, be no recommenda-

tion to the professing world, I shall leave it
 others to find them out, and pass whatever ce-
 sure upon them they please. If the Lord
 should bless them to the hearts of his own de-
 children, and make them profitable and ac-
 ceptable to those for whose use they are inten-
 ed, it is indifferent to me what cur may say.
 “ Since the Lord ruleth in Jacob, and un-
 “ the ends of the earth, let them make a no-
 “ like a dog, and go round about the cit-
 “ and grudge, if they be not satisfied.”

I have prefixed two or three short texts be-
 fore most of the hymns, at least so much of the
 scripture as will be sufficient to make a
 reader, who is acquainted with the Bible, sen-
 sible of the passage to which I refer. To have
 added more would have made the book too
 large. These, I hope, will have a two-fold use
 to confirm and establish the doctrines con-
 tained in the hymn, and to lead the serious and
 attentive reader to compare scripture with scrip-
 ture: I do not mean by taking detached sen-
 tences and single verses, but by considering the
 true meaning and import of each passage, in-
 dependent of the various opinions of great doct-

med commentators; independent likewise
 e divisions of chapters and verses which
 always the most judicious, and which
 y apt to lead the reader into a mistake
 losing the sense complete at the end of a
 or at least at the end of a chapter;
 s nothing is more certain than that
 chapters break off in the middle of a
 e. If any human composition had been
 judiciously divided, it must have ren-
 it altogether unintelligible; but the
 res are like pure gold tried in the fire;
 part and particle will be found pure and
 e: such is the beauty and harmony of
 word, and such is the oneness of truth;
 e, compact, and consistent with itself;
 fier the wise disputer, the cunning arti-
 nd the eloquent orator, have gone as far
 an ingenuity could go, assisted by the
 imself, in darkening the divine counsels,
 blending them with philosophy and
 scit, yet they have not been able to
 the truth; and a mind divinely taught,
 ritually enlightened, will be able to
 the precious from the vile, and the

pure and genuine from that which is counterfeit.

In arranging the hymns I have that order which appeared to me most convenient; and have added an Index; which will shew the plan I have taken by this means any particular hymn may be found with great readiness. For this reason I have divided the book into three parts.

The first contains those hymns which are adapted for public worship more generally.

The second contains hymns upon particular subjects.

The third contains hymns more particularly adapted to family or private exercises of devotion.

One objection, I know, will be made, that many of the hymns contained in this collection are too positive. It is true, we can never offend by speaking with humility and diffidence, but we may offend by speaking with too much confidence. I do not doubt but many may express themselves with confidence who never experienced any true sense of heart; who are strangers to a broken heart and that faith which works by love.

though some may presume, does that
 that there is no such thing as the res-
 sidence of faith? If the Lord has blest
 me with that privilege, shall we not
 the riches of his grace, and tell what
 things the Lord has done for our souls?
 light a candle to set it under a bed or

Do they not set it in a candlestick,
 may give light to them that are in the
 Our Lord tells his disciples, "What
 hear in the ear, that preach on the
 e-top." God knows my heart, that I
 not break a bruised reed, or quench
 smoking flax; but, as to those who plead
 a kind of diffidence, and wish to make
 souls easy and contented without a know-
 of their personal interest in Christ, I
 of them of the generation of Moab, of
 the prophet Jeremiah speaks, xlviii. 11.
 Moab hath been at ease from his youth; and
 hath settled upon his lees, and hath not
 emptied from vessel to vessel; neither
 he gone into captivity: therefore his
 remained in him, and his scent is not
 good."

grace, as well as
God acts like a
father; he divides
all; so that it is
his experience as
I am persuaded
that a work upon
it till he has
in that sinner's
that respect the
man in any sense
of those who are most
supposing it to
scriptures every
of confidence;
be profitable, as
and admonition.
mind spiritually
children have
and enjoyment
prove profitable;
able to take the
evens that little
under all their

condemned, they feel it; they are miserable, they feel it; they hear that others have been in the same state, and have found deliverance: this, therefore, is some little encouragement. Many are awakened to amendment, who are not awakened to mercy: these conceive nothing more in religion than merely becoming better, doing their duty, establishing a righteousness of their own: but 'tis otherwise when the Lord has put a cry of "Mercy, mercy, mercy," in the soul. Mercy is what that soul wants, and without a sense of mercy it never can be satisfied.

Most of the hymns in this collection, I trust, will be found to point the sinner to his only refuge; to shew many of those spiritual conflicts with which the souls of God's children are often exercised; and the life, walk, and joy of faith; Christ being the believer's life, his rule, and his crown of rejoicing.

I am very sensible that I differ materially in many particulars from those who, nevertheless, profess to hold the same doctrines—such as the divinity of the Lord Jesus Christ, particu-

election, imputed righteousness, &c. As reason for my publishing this collection to shew what those truths are which lie nearest my heart, I shall point out two or three instances, wherein I differ from many who highly esteemed, and generally received preachers of the gospel.

I would not be understood as if the difference was only about words or phrases. If difference is material, if there is truth and reality in any thing; for it is upon that important question—What is truth? not, Whether this doctrine or that, this sentiment that, this proposition or that, be right? the question is, Whether there be such a thing as truth? what it is? whether it is to be known? and, if known, what influence or effect must it have upon the mind? Our Lord says, “ They shall know the truth, and the truth shall make them free.” If we differ about this truth, this knowledge, and this freedom, the difference must be material. Be not deceived. Where the difference is so material, if one is right, the other must be wrong. Examine for yourselves; call no man master;

lieve not every spirit, but try the spirits.
 "Beware of false prophets," says our Lord,
 "who come to you in sheep's clothing, but
 "inwardly they are ravening wolves." There
 must be a falling away, and a departure from
 the truth, that the man of sin may be re-
 vealed. The Lord's controversy must continue
 upon this earth as long as the two seeds—the
 seed of the woman and the serpent's seed—are
 found upon it. Though the gospel in itself is
 a message of peace; and though, when believed
 and received, it brings peace to the sinner's
 heart; yet, by reason of the enmity of the
 carnal mind, it is impossible to preach the
 gospel without giving offence: "I am not
 "come," says our Lord, "to send peace on
 "earth, but a sword." In those points which
 nearly concern the interest and happiness of
 your never-dying souls, be not biased or in-
 fluenced by names, or the authority of any
 man in the world. Let God be true, and
 every man a liar, till you find the truth
 is in him; let every difference of opi-
 nion be tried by the unerring standard of
 God's most holy word. With this view I will

point out, in some few instances, wherein I do materially differ from many who are considered as the popular preachers of this day.

To enter at large into the difference would be to write a volume, for which I have neither time nor ability. All I aim at is clearly to be understood. I am sensible it must be a divine power to enlighten the understanding, and awaken conscience; and in all my labours with entirely to depend upon the Lord; and with him I must leave the event, who manifests his own power by the weakness of the instruments which he is pleased to make use of. I am sensible that I do materially differ in my opinion from many of the popular preachers of the day, as it respects FAITH.

Faith is by some considered as a moral duty required by the moral law. I consider it the gift of God, and the fruit of the Spirit, i. e. the operation of God's Spirit upon the heart, whose office it is to take of the things of Jesus and shew them to us; and likewise to give us power to receive, apprehend, or lay hold of those things to our comfort and satisfaction. That the same law which said to Adam, "

: day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt
 rely die," should afterwards say to Adam
 his posterity, when fallen, " Believe in the
 Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved,"
 what, in my opinion, cannot be reconciled
 her with scripture or common sense. I am
 confident, for my own part, that it is contrary to
 the whole tenor of scripture. If it be said
 that the law required Adam to believe before
 he fell; and that, though man has lost his
 power to obey, God has not lost his power to
 command—I would ask, What did the law re-
 quire Adam to believe before he fell? did it
 require him to believe the gospel? what had
 Adam in innocency to do with the gospel?
 The gospel is the report of pardon, the glad
 tidings of salvation; therefore can only belong
 to sinners: and the law tells the sinner to be-
 lieve that he is condemned, but not that he is
 pardoned. The voice of the law is this—" He
 " that doeth these things shall live by them ;
 and, on the other hand, " Cursed is he that con-
 " tnueth not in all things written in the bo
 " of the law to do them." Can this same !
 require me to believe that, " Though

“firs are as scarlet, they shall be white as
 “snow; though they be red like crimson,
 “they shall be as wool.”

Faith is considered by some as believing or
 crediting the truths revealed, and that without
 any special or particular application of them to
 the soul. In answer to this account of faith,
 I would ask, Whether a divine light is not ne-
 cessary to enlighten the understanding before it
 can discern those truths which God has re-
 vealed in his word? Whether it is possible for
 any man to believe without evidence, convic-
 tion, or satisfaction, of the truth in his ow
 soul? What evidence, conviction, or satisfac-
 tion, can any one have of the truths reveal-
 ed in God's word, but what is derived from t
 weight, influence, and authority, by whi
 they are applied, and with which they are
 received? Now if this light—this evidence—
 weight, influence, and authority—be necess
 then an application and appropriation of
 truths revealed must be necessary. Let e
 man speak as he feels: if a man supposes
 self to be a believer, although he has neve
 experienced any such special or particular

or manifestation of the truth to his own
 let him maintain his right and his
 ; for my own part, I can truly say that
 ed many years without the knowledge of
 true God, considering myself at the same
 e a diligent and impartial inquirer after
 th ; till at last, when sinking with distress of
 al, and, to my own apprehension, “ without
 refuge,” the Lord was pleased to reveal his
 , grace and truth to my heart. From what I
 then experienced and felt, from what I have
 since experienced and felt, as well as from the
 scripture testimony, I am most firmly persuad-
 ed of the truth of that scripture which saith—
 “ No man can call Jesus Lord, but by the
 “ Holy Ghost:” not from conclusions drawn
 from external observations ; not from a rational
 persuasion drawn from arguments ; but by a
 palpable sensation arising from impressions
 made upon the mind ; from a feeling sense of
 our own misery and God’s mercy, as extended
 to us through the redemption which there
 in Jesus Christ.

I am sensible that I differ from many, as
 respects marks and signs as the evidences

faith. I think it impossible for any man to
 judge of his state by outward reformation; or
 any external performances, sufferings, or service.
 Though he has the scriptures by heart; though
 his knowledge of the letter be ever so great;
 though he has a deep insight and understanding
 in the mysteries; though he bestows his goods
 to feed the poor, and gives his body to be burnt;
 all this will not prove him to be a Christian.
 Nothing can satisfy the soul, as it respects the
 safety of its state, but an inward experience
 from the teaching and testimony of the Holy
 Spirit. As to those gracious qualifications,
 good dispositions, and tempers, of which some
 speak, I am persuaded the more any man
 knows himself, the more he will feel that in
 him (that is, in his flesh) dwelleth no good
 thing. It will be asked, Does grace make a
 change? Doubtless it does, and a very great
 one: what a change it made in Saul! who
 from being a persecutor, became a preacher
 who, from being a pharisee of the pharisees
 and from boasting that, "as touching the
 righteousness of the law, he was blameless,"
 has left it upon record that he was "a

“chief of sinners.” When God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ, no doubt there will be a change, but not such a change as some speak of, as if our old man, or corrupt nature, would be changed, so that the corrupt tree should at last bring forth good fruit: no; nature is nature still; the flesh is still the flesh; and the spirit that is in us still lusteth to envy; but he giveth more grace. By beholding the glory of God, as it shines in the face of Jesus Christ, we are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the power of our God. This precious view of Christ produces kindred feelings and affections in the soul; Christ dwells in the heart by faith; so that the desires and affections of the heart, which before were going out after sensual gratifications and worldly objects, continually seeking ease, pleasure, honours, or profits, are now, according to the influence of divine grace (the stream of our affections being turned), going out after Christ, and *the knowledge and enjoyment of him, crying*

out, There is none in heaven, and there is none in earth, that I desire in comparison with him.

The difference respecting outward mark and signs as the evidences of faith, is connected with another difference no less material, and that is, respecting sanctification, which by many is supposed to consist in a something which they call grace (what it is, or what it is like, I cannot tell you); but, as far as I can learn, it is implanted or engrafted into the old man; and this grace, so implanted, is to be improved, nourished, and cherished, so that the old man shall become better and better, till at last he is quite changed. St. Paul speaks of something like this in his epistle to the Philippians, “Beware of dogs; beware of the concision!” As far as I understand the meaning of the word concision, it exactly answers the description of grace implanted or engrafted, and what confirms my opinion that this is the apostle’s meaning, is the word circumcision which is opposed to it.—The word circumcision means to cut all around, clean off, that *may be thrown away*; answerable to what the same apostle says in another place—“Y

“ the old man.” What this implanted grace has to do with the account which the scriptures have given us of sanctification, I never yet could learn ; nor do I conceive that sanctification belongs to the kingly office of Christ, but rather to his priestly office, for it is ascribed to the blood ; and we know it was the office of the high priest to sanctify. The offices of Prophet, Priest, and King, though distinct, are nevertheless so closely connected in our Mediator, that, if he is denied in one, he must be denied in the other two. When our Lord appeared upon this earth, he appeared first as a Prophet, then as a Priest, then as a King : so it is when he comes to take possession of a sinner’s heart—first he comes as a Prophet, opening the understanding and revealing the truth ; then as a Priest, having made the atonement, and entered into heaven for us ; then, as a King, he sets up his throne in the heart, grace reigns through righteousness ; and, as it is in the world, so it is in a believer’s heart—Christ rules in the midst of his enemies. It is one thing to sanctify ; it is another thing to rule and govern : it is one thing to change the old

man; it is another thing to chain him. A bear chained to a stake is a bear still: so it is with me (that is, with my flesh); however the corruptions of my depraved and fallen nature may be subdued, restrained, and kept under yet in me there are the seeds of every sin; and I know that this will be the case as long as I carry about me this body of sin and death.

There are many other differences which arise from, and are connected with, those already mentioned; but I must remember that I am only writing a Preface; besides, many of these differences will be found in the following Collection of Hymns, which in some respect may be considered, not only as a confession of my faith, but as describing in a manner the feeling of my heart; nor do they, as I know of, contain a single sentiment which I would not avow on my dying bed: and, if this be *Antinomianism*, I can truly say, that, when called out of time into eternity, I never expect, nor desire, to sing any other song than "Salvation to God and the Lamb." For it is salvation known, felt, and experienced, here that makes our hearts to sing for joy; and so it will be for ever and for evermore.

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Ye Christians, hear the joyful news. -

H Y M N S.

CHURCH.

HYMN I.

New Jerusalem. *Rev.* xxi.

Jerusalem, which is above, is free, which is the mother of us all. Gal. iv. 26.

Great shall be the peace of thy children. Is. liv. 13.

Mount Sion—the city of the living God—the heavenly Jerusalem. Heb. xiii. 22.

1 **B**LEST is the NEW JERUSALEM,
The seat of Zion's peaceful sons,
The holy city of the Lamb:
Her walls are built with *living* stones,
And these with fire are compass'd round;
With light and glory she is crown'd.

2 Her streets are of the purest gold;
They, like transparent crystal, shine;
Her walls are glorious to behold,
Strongly reflecting light divine.

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W O R S H I P.

HYMN 3.

The true God.

*The four beasts and four and twenty elders
down before the LAMB—having golden vials
of odours, which are the prayers of saints. R
v. 8.*

Behold the LAMB of God. John i. 29.

God will provide himself A LAMB. Gen. xxii

- 1 **T**HE God—whose smiles we court,
 From whom we favour claim,
 Whose love alone new life imparts,
 And feeds the heav'nly flame—
 Is none but the meek LAMB,
 Our dear exalted Lord,
 Whose grace and Spirit still remains
 To bless us in his word.
- 2 His promise is the same,
 His church below to bless,
 When they assemble in his name
 To supplicate his grace:
 A train of sinners poor
 He will not cast behind,
 But keeps his word for evermore,
 And bears us on his mind.

3 To our relief he flies,
He flies from realms above,
Answers our pray'rs in sweet replies,
And tokens of his love :
Shall we not witness bear
How faithful he has been ;
And boldly to the world declare
Salvation we have seen ?

Jesus Jehovah is the Lord,
The God whom we confess,
The Prince of Peace—the Living Word—
The Lord our righteousness.
The Saviour's name we praise,
Who triumph'd over Death ;
And we, the subjects of his grace,
Shall triumph too by faith.

4.

Dependance.

*him hath God exalted to be a Prince and a Saviour,
to give repentance and forgiveness of sins. Acts v. 31.
every good and perfect gift is from above. Jam. i. 17.
of his fullness have all we received. John i. 17.*

LAMB of God, we fall before thee,
Humbly trusting in thy cross;
That alone is all our glory,
All things else are dung and dross.

Thee we own a perfect Saviour,
Only source of all that's good;
Every grace and every favour
Come to us through Jesus' blood.

- 2 Jesus gives us true repentance,
By his Spirit sent from heav'n ;
Jesus whispers this sweet sentence,
" Son, thy sins are all forgiv'n."
Faith he gives us to believe it;
Grateful hearts his love to prize.
Want we wisdom? He must give it,
Hearing ears, and seeing eyes.

- 3 Jesus gives us pure affections ;
Wills to do what he requires ;
Makes us follow his directions,
And what he commands inspires.
All our pray'rs and all our praises,
If they're offer'd in his name,
He who dictates them is Jesus ;
He who answers them—the same.

5.

Access with Confidence.

There is no condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus. Rom. viii. 1.

Neither Death nor Life—nor any other creature, shall separate us from the love of God. Rom. viii. 39.

If our hearts condemn us not, then have we confidence towards God. 1 John iii. 21.

- 1 **A** DEBTOR to mercy alone,
Of covenant mercy I sing;
Nor fear, with thy righteousness on,
My person and off'ring to bring.
- 2 The terrors of law and of God
With me can have nothing to do;
My Saviour's obedience and blood
Hide all my transgressions from view.
- 3 The work which his goodness began,
The arm of his strength will complete;
His promise is YEA and AMEN,
And never was forfeited yet.
- 4 Things future, nor things that are now,
Not all things below nor above,
Can make him his purpose forego,
Nor sever my soul from his love.

- 5 My name from the palms of his hands
 Eternity will not erase;
 Imprest on his heart it remains
 In marks of indelible grace.
- 6 Yes—I to the end shall endure,
 As sure as the earnest is giv'n:
 More happy, but not more secure,
 The glorified spirits in heav'n.

6.

Mercy.

I will sing of mercy and judgment. Ps. ci. 1.

Mercy shall be built up for ever. Ps. lxxxix. 2

According to his mercy he saved us. Tit. iii. 5.

- 1 THY mercy, my God, is the theme of my
 The joy of my heart, and the boast of my tongue
 Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last
 Has won my affections, and bound my soul
- 2 Without thy sweet mercy I could not live
 Sin soon would reduce me to utter despair
 But through thy free goodness my spirits rejoice
 And he who first made me still keeps me alive
- 3 Where'er I mistake, thy kind mercy begins
 To melt me, and then I can mourn for my sin
 And, led by the Spirit to Jesus's blood,
 My sorrows are dried, and my strength is renewed

- 4 Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart,
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart :
Dissolv'd by thy sunshine, I fall to the ground,
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.
- 5 Thy mercy in Jesus exempts me from hell ;
Of thy mercy I'll sing, of thy mercy I'll tell ;
'Twas Jesus my friend, when he hung on the tree,
Who open'd the channel of mercy for me.
- 6 Great Father of mercies, thy goodness I own,
And the covenant love of thy crucified Son.
All praise to the Spirit, whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

7.

The Victory of the Cross.

We see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour. Heb. ii. 9.

—The sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. 1 Pet. i. 12.

Having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them. Coll. ii. 15.

- 1 **H**AILE, thou once despised Jesus !
Hail, thou Galilean King !
Who didst suffer to release us ;
Who didst free salvation bring.

- 2 Hail, thou glorious God and Saviour,
Who hast borne our sin and shame;
By whose merit we find favour;
Life is given through thy name!
- 3 Paschal Lamb! by God appointed,
All our sins on thee were laid;
Our High Priest thou wast anointed,
And hast full atonement made.
- 4 All our sins are now forgiven
Through the shedding of thy blood:
Open'd is the gate of heaven,
We thereby return to God.
- 5 Worship, honour, pow'r, and blessing,
Christ is worthy to receive.
Loudest praises, without ceasing,
Meet it is for us to give.
- 6 Hosts of angels—choirs of spirits—
Join in pure seraphic lays;
Join to sing our Jesu's merits;
Join to shout Immanuel's praise.

8.

The Sinner reconciled.

*You that were alienated, and enemies in your mind
now hath he reconciled. Col. i. 21.*

He that hath seen me hath seen the Father. Jo. xiv. 9

*God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself
2 Cor. v. 19.*

- 1 **L**ORD, we are met thy name to praise,
In whom alone we rest,
And worship at thy throne of grace;
By whom our souls are blest.
- 2 Jesus we praise, his name adore;
We own no other God
Than he, who sav'd us by his pow'r,
And bought us with his blood.
- 3 'Tis by the merit of his death
That justice smiles again;
'Tis by his interceding breath
The Spirit dwells with men.
- 4 'Till God in human shape we see
Our thoughts no comfort find;
The holy, just, and sacred Three
Are terrors to the mind.

- 5 But if Immanuel's face appears,
 Our hope and joy begin ;
 His name forbids our slavish fear,
 His grace removes our sin.
- 6 While some on their own works rely,
 And some of wisdom boast,
 We love th' incarnate mystery,
 And there we fix our trust.

9.

For the Lord's Presence and Blessing.

God gave the increase. 1 Cor. iii. 7.

I am with you always, even unto the end. Ma
 xxviii. 20.

If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hither.
 Ex. xxxiii. 15.

- 1 **B**ELOVED Saviour ! faithful Friend !
 The joy of all thy cross's train !
 In mercy to our aid descend,
 Or else we worship thee in vain.
- 2 In vain we meet to sing and pray,
 If Christ his influence withhold ;
 Our hearts remain as cold as clay,
 'Till we our God by faith behold.
- 3 Here let us feel thy healing beams,
 And view thy reconciled face ;
 Yea, prove thy presence, in these means,
 To bless a vile and helpless race.

- 4 Here manifest thyself in peace,
 Thy faithful mercies now make known ;
 Oh ! breathe on us a gale of grace,
 And send the cheering blessing down.
- 5 We gladly for thy coming wait,
 Seeking to know thee as thou art ;
 We bow as sinners at thy feet,
 And bid thee welcome to our heart.

I O.

The Temple of God.

The Most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands. Acts vii. 48.

Ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. John iv. 21.

Ye are the temple of the living God. 2 Cor. vi. 16.

- 1 JESUS, where'er thy people meet,
 There they behold thy mercy seat ;
 Where'er they seek thee thou art found,
 And ev'ry place is hallow'd ground.
- 2 For thou, within no walls confin'd,
 Inhabitest the humble mind ;
 Such ever bring thee where they come,
 And, going, take thee to their home.
- 3 Dear Shepherd of thy chosen few,
 Thy former mercies here renew ;
 Here, to our waiting hearts, proclaim
 The sweetness of thy saving name.

- 4 Here may we prove the pow'r of pray'r,
To strengthen faith, and sweeten care;
To teach our faint desires to rise,
And bring all heav'n before our eyes.
- 5 Behold! at thy commanding word
Let Sion stretch her cords abroad;
Come then, and fill that wider space,
And bless us with a large increase.
- 6 LORD, we are few, but thou art near;
Nor short thine arm, nor deaf thine ear:
Oh rend the heav'ns, come quickly down,
And make a thousand hearts thine own!

I I.

Throne of Grace.

*Come boldly unto the throne of grace. Heb. iv. 16.
If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins. 1 John i. 9.*

For thy name's sake pardon mine iniquity, for it is great. Ps. xxv. 11.

- 1 O LORD, how great's the favour,
That we, such sinners poor,
Can, through thy death's sweet favour,
Approach thy mercy's door,
And find an open passage
Unto the throne of grace;
There wait the welcome message,
Which bids us, "go in peace!"

we are helpless creatures,
 I of the deepest need,
 throughout defil'd by nature,
 blind, and inly dead;
 strength is perfect weakness,
 and all we have is sin,
 hearts are all uncleanness,
 men of thieves within.

in this forlorn condition
 who can afford us aid?
 where can we find compassion,
 or in our Lord and Head?
 thou art all pity,
 take us to thine arms,
 and to us thy mercy,
 and save us from all harms.

I 2.

For Devotedness.

*My servant departs in peace, for mine eyes
 have seen thy salvation. Luke ii. 29, 30.*

*He is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.
 vi. 14.*

He shall shew forth thy praise. Ps. li. 15.

C O M E, thou wounded Lamb of God,
 Come wash us in thy cleansing blood;
 lead us to know thy love, then pain
 is rest, and life or death is gain.

- 2 Take our poor hearts, and let them be
For ever clos'd to all but thee:
Help us to thee our all to give:
Thine may we die, thine may we live.
- 3 O Lord, enlarge our scanty thought,
To know the wonders thou hast wrought
Unloose our stamm'ring tongues to tell
Thy love immense, unfearchable.

I 3.

Call to praise.

Exalt him in the congregation. Ps. cvii. 32.

*The multitudes that went before, and that fo
after, cried, saying, Hosanna to the Son of
David. Matt. xxi. 9.*

*At the name of Jesus every knee shall bow. P.
10.*

- 1 **B**RETHREN, let us join to bless
Jesus Christ; our King and Priest:
Let our praise to him be giv'n,
High at God's right hand in heav'n.
- 2 Master, see, to thee we bow;
Thou art Lord, and only thou;
Thou, the blessed virgin's seed,
Glory of thy church, and Head.

See the angels ceaseless sing;
 See we praise, our Priest and King;
 Worthy is thy name of praise,
 Full of glory, full of grace.

Thou hast the glad tidings brought
 Salvation by thee wrought;
 Bought for all thy church, and we
 Worship in their company.

Ye, thy little flock, adore
 Thee, the Lord, for evermore;
 And with us shew thy love
 And we join with them above.

I 4.

Call to be joyful.

Ye children of Zion be joyful in their King.
 cxlix. 2.

Rejoice in Christ Jesus. Phil. iii. 3.

It is that people whose God is the Lord. Ps.
 lv. 15.

COME, ye that love the Lord,
 And let your joys be known;
 Sing in a song with sweet accord,
 And thus surround the throne.

- 2 The sorrows of the mind
Be banish'd from the place,
Religion never was design'd
To make our comforts less.
- 3 Let those refuse to sing
Who never knew our God;
The children of the heav'nly King
Should speak their joys abroad.
- 4 Then let our songs abound,
And ev'ry tear be dry;
We're marching through Immanuel's land
To fairer worlds on high.

I 5.

The Cross's Shade.

*I sat under his shadow with great delight. Cant. ii.
That which we have seen and heard declare we in
you, that your joy may be full. 1 John i. 3, 4.
We believe, and therefore we speak. 2 Cor. iv. 1*

- 1 CHILDREN of Israel, see what shade
The cross doth us afford!
It was for weary sinners made:
We thank thee for it, Lord!
- 2 Gethsemane can witness still
How meekly there he cried:
So can the brow of Calv'ry's hill,
Where our great Master died.

ing thy righteousness and blood,
 d agonizing pain :
 ing thy griefs, thou dying God, ,
 ou LAMB for sinners slain!
 ail thee, thou by Jews revil'd ;
 thee we bow the knee :
 very God ! the promis'd Child !
 ie prophets sang of thee.
 re thy living witnesses ;
 d testify that thou
 ll our righteousness and peace,
 r we have prov'd thee so.
 le others sing the unknown God,
 e each will sing of thee—
 hath wash'd me in his blood,
 d lov'd and died for me.

I 6.

Song of Praise.

*to his gates with thanksgiving, and into his
 with praise. Pf. c. 4.*

*it cometh unto me I will in no wise cast out.
 vi. 37.*

*n right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten
 he victory. Pf. xcvi. 1.*

OW begin the heav'nly theme,
 Sing aloud in Jesu's name ;
 who Jesu's kindness prove,
 mph in redeeming love.

- 2 Ye, who see the Father's grace
Beaming in the Saviour's face,
As to Canaan on ye move,
Praise and bless redeeming love.
- 3 Welcome all by sin oppress'd,
Welcome to your Saviour's breast;
Nothing brought him from above,
Nothing—but redeeming love.
- 4 Though, alas ! ye long have been
Serving divers lusts and sin,
Jesus did the curse remove,
Cancell'd by redeeming love.
- 5 He subdu'd th' infernal pow'rs,
His tremendous foes and ours,
From their cursed empire drove,
Mighty in redeeming love.
- 6 We will therefore praise the Lord,
Bless his name with one accord;
Ye, who Jesu's kindness prove,
Praise him for redeeming love.

17.

Song of Moses and the Lamb.

*My heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise.
Awake, psaltery and harp; I will awake early.*
Ps. lviii. 7, 8.

*Praise the Lord, O my soul! while I live will I
praise the Lord.* Ps. cxlvi. 1, 2.

Who so offereth praise glorifieth me. Ps. l. 23.

AWAKE, and sing the song
Of Moses and the Lamb;
Awake my heart, awake my tongue,
To praise the Saviour's name.

Sing of his dying love;
Sing of his rising pow'r;
Sing how he intercedes above
For those whose sins he bore.

Sing on your heav'nly way,
Ye ransom'd sinners, sing!
Sing on, rejoicing every day
In Christ th' eternal King.

Soon shall ye hear him say,
Ye blessed children, come;
Soon will he call you hence away,
And take his wand'ers home.

18.

Strength ascribed to the Lord.

*The youths shall faint, and the young men shall fail;
but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their
strength. Is. xl. 30, 31.*

All my fresh springs are in thee. Pl. lxxxvii. 7.

*Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee. Pl.
lxxxiv. 5.*

1 **A**WAKE, our souls; away, our fears;
Let ev'ry trembling thought be gone;
Awake, and run the heav'nly race,
And put a cheerful courage on.

2 True, 'tis a strait and thorny road,
And mortal spirits tire and faint;
But they forget the mighty God,
Who feeds the strength of ev'ry saint.

3 The mighty God—whose matchless pow'r
Is ever new, and ever young,
And firm endures, while endless years
Their everlasting circles run.

4 From thee, the overflowing Spring,
Our souls shall drink a fresh supply:
But those who trust their native strength
Shall fade away, and droop, and die.

5 Swift as an eagle cuts the air
 Oh may we mount to thine abode !
 On wings of love to Jesus fly,
 Nor tire amidst the heav'nly road!

19.

Reproach of Christ.

Let us go forth, therefore, unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach. Heb. xiii. 13.

Disallowed of men, but chosen of God. 1 Pet. ii. 4.

It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his Lord. Matt. x. 25.

1 COME, my Father's family,
 Ye ransom'd of the Lord;
 Come, ye sinners, who with me
 Are ev'ry where abhorr'd;
 Jesus, the despis'd and mean,
 Our master let us own;
 He the Sacrifice for sin,
 The Saviour he alone.

2 None among the heav'nly pow'rs,
 None on earth our praise may claim;
 None but Jesus call we ours,
 None but the bleeding Lamb;

None but Jesus will we sing;
 None else will we adore;
 He our Prophet, Priest, and King,
 Shall be for evermore.

20.

Invocation to the Holy Ghost.

*There are Three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and Holy Ghost; and these Three are One**. 1 John v. 7.

The Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters
 Gen. i. 2.

God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness. 2 Cor. iv. 6.

I **H**OLY Spirit—God of peace,
 Great Distributer of grace—
 Rest upon this congregation,
 And assist our supplication.

* How these things can be I do not pretend to say; but I will say that a triune Jehovah is the object of our worship—and whoever worships any other God is an idolater; “The Father is God—the Son is God—the Holy Ghost is God: yet not three Gods but one God; neither dividing the substance, nor confounding the persons.” The essential divinity of the Holy Ghost would have appeared more plainly, had it been translated, the Spirit Elohim, the Spirit Jehovah, instead of “the Spirit of God.” Exod. ix. The Spirit Elohim moved upon the face of the waters, not the Spirit of God. We are changed by the Lord—the Spirit, 2 Cor. iii. 18. not “by the Spirit of the Lord.”

irit, coming down
Father and the Son,
by illumination;
this congregation.

o seal't the ransom'd race,
ing truth and grace,
the great salvation,
this congregation.

u pure and heav'nly Dove,
als with peace and love:
or thy consolation,
this congregation.

ts for ever live,
e and blessing give,
thy habitation,
this congregation.

21.

The same.

, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the
send in my name. John xiv. 26.

ve (convince) of sin. John xvi. 8.

be born of the Spirit. John iii. 5.

Holy Spirit, come,
ay bright beams arise;
orrow from our minds,
iness from our eyes.

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- 2 Cheer our desponding hearts
With visitations sweet;
Give us to lie with humble hope
At our Redeemer's feet.
- 3 Revive our drooping faith,
Our doubts and fears remove,
And kindle in our hearts the flame
Of never-dying love.
- 4 Convince us of our sin,
Then lead to Jesus' blood,
And to our waiting view reveal
The secret love of God.
- 5 Shew us the sinner's friend,
Who rules the courts of bliss;
The Lord of Hosts—the mighty God—
Th' eternal Prince of Peace.
- 6 'Tis thine to cleanse the heart,
To purify the soul,
To pour fresh life on ev'ry part,
And new create the whole.

22.

The same.

Spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. 2 Pet.
ii. 21.

Tell spoke the Holy Ghost by Isaiah the prophet.
Acts xxviii. 25.

All scripture is given by inspiration of God. 2 Tim.
iii. 16.

COME, Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire,
Let us thine influence prove;
Source of the old prophetic fire,
Fountain of Light and Love.

Come, Holy Ghost—for, mov'd by thee,
The prophets wrote and spoke—
Unlock the truth, thyself the key,
Unseal the sacred book.

Water with heav'nly dew thy word
In this appointed hour;
Attend it with thy presence, Lord,
And bid it come with pow'r.

Open the hearts of them that hear,
To make the Saviour room;
Now let us find redemption near,
Let faith by hearing come.

L O R D ' S D A Y .

HYMN 23.

*They continued stedfastly in the apostle's doctrine
fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and
prayers. Acts ii. 42.*

*I was in the spirit on the LORD'S DAY. Rev. i
Not forsaking the assembling yourselves toge
Heb. x. 25.*

- 1 SINCE Christ, our Lord, is crucified,
And all our sins did bear,
In the blest Sabbath of his rest
May we his servants share.
- 2 The saints above in him do rest,
From sin and sorrow free;
May we, O Lord, their joys partake,
And find our rest in thee.
- 3 Thou, Lord, dost *daily* feed thy sheep;
Yet there's a *weekly* feast,
When in thy name thy servants meet,
A day of sacred rest.
- 4 We prize and value, Lord, this day,
And hope to taste thy love;
*But what a glorious day is that,
When we shall get above!*

LORD'S DAY.

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- 5 Myſterious are the cords of love,
Which bind us to be free,
Free from the bondage of the law,
Yet *in a law* to thee.
- 6 We come, and wait, and hear, and pray,
And long to ſee thy face ;
We ſing, becauſe we love the way,
And praiſe redeeming grace.

24.

The Lord's Fold.

He ſhall feed his flock as a ſhepherd. If. xl. 11.

*Ye were as ſheep going aſtray, but are now returned
unto the ſhepherd and biſhop of your ſouls.* 1 Pet
ii. 25.

*Tell me where thou feedeſt, where thou makeſt th
flock to reſt at noon.* Cant. i. 7.

- 1 **T**HIS day, O Lord, to thee we keep,
And its return with joy behold ;
Oh may the Shepherd of the ſheep
Bleſs with his preſence this his fold !
- 2 Gather the lambs into thine arms,
And ſatisfy their ev'ry want ;
And thoſe with young defend from harms,
And gently lead them, leſt they faint.

- 3 Put forth thy shepherd's crook, and stay.
 Thy wand'ring sheep, and bring them back;
 Oh bring the wand'ring home to-day,
 And save them for thy mercy's sake!
- 4 Thus may thy sheep before thee here,
 Through thee, the Door, now enter in,
 Find pasture with their Saviour dear,
 Sav'd from the guilt and pow'r of sin.
- 5 Give us one sweet heart-melting look,
 And ev'ry weight from us remove;
 Dear Shepherd, lead this little flock
 To the rich pastures of thy love.

25.

The good Shepherd.

I know my sheep, and am known of mine. Jo. x. 14.

*I will search my sheep, and seek them out. Ez.
 xxxiv. 11.*

All we like sheep are gone astray. Is. liii. 6.

- 1 JESU, Shepherd of the sheep,
 Thou thy flock dost feed and keep;
 Sweetest pasture dost prepare,
 Watchest them with tender care:
 Thee the sheep profess and own,
 Thee they love, and thee alone;
*Thee they follow in the way,
 Strangers they will not obey.*

knowest them, and they know thee,
 wilt never from them flee;
 delight to feel thee near,
 rejoice thy voice to hear :
 lost call them by their names,
 bosom bear the lambs;
 protection seek, and rest,
 : Shepherd's loving breast.

thy wand'ring sheep behold,
 hem back into thy fold;
 shoulders bear them home,
 hem no more to roam :
 hem into pastures green,
 thy lovely face is seen;
 hem to those fountains go
 life-giving waters flow.

26.

Spiritual Food.

not live by bread only. Deut. viii. 3.
it to eat that ye know not of. John iv. 32.
rest a table before me in the presence of mine
 Ps. xxiii. 5.

Lord supplies his people's need,
 Jehovah is his name;
res fresh he doth them feed,
the living stream.

- 2 He brings their wand'ring spirits back
When they forsake his ways ;
And leads them, for his mercy's sake,
In paths of truth and grace.
- 3 His hand, in spite of all their foes,
Does still their table spread ;
Their cup with blessing overflows,
For he anoints their head.
- 4 The sure provisions of our God
Attend us all our days ;
Our hearts he makes still his abode,
And fills our mouth with praise.

27.

The Sabbath.

*The law having a shadow of good things to
Heb. x. 1.*

I gave them my sabbaths to be a sign. Ez. xx

The body is of Christ. Col. ii. 17.

- 1 **T**O all God's children there remains
An holy rest from guilt's sharp pain
And works of slavish kind ;
The child of God, who enters here,
When tir'd through toil, or faint through
Shall sweet refreshment find.

- 2 Hither by faith he oft retreats,
Bondage and labour quite forgets,
And bids his cares adieu ;
Leaning his head on Jesu's breast,
He enters into promis'd rest,
And proves the Sabbath true.
- 3 This, and this only, is the way
Rightly to keep the Sabbath day,
Which God has holy made :
All keepers, who come short of this,
The substance of the Sabbath miss,
And grasp an empty shade.

PREACHING THE GOSPEL

HYMN 28.

The Gospel.

*Through this man is preached forgiveness of
Acts xiii. 38.*

*All that believe are justified from all things.
xiii. 39.*

*I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and
sins and their iniquities I will remember no more.
Heb. viii. 12.*

- 1 THE gospel brings tidings to each wounded
That Jesus, the Saviour, can make it quite well
And, what makes this gospel most precious to
It holds forth salvation so perfectly free.
- 2 This gospel declares that God, sending his
To die for poor sinners, gave all things in
This, too, makes the gospel most precious to
Because 'tis a gospel as full as 'tis free.
- 3 Since Jesus hath fav'd me, and that freely
I fain would in all things my gratitude show
But as for man's merit, 'tis hateful to me
The gospel—I love it: 'tis perfectly free

29.

The same.

THIS is gospel; this alone:
 All, who for redemption groan,
 who feel the weight of sin,
 who languish to be clean,
 who see themselves undone,
 take refuge in the Son;
 in him remission have,
 and can to the utmost save.

30.

Preachers of the Gospel.

*Beautiful are the feet of him that bringeth good
 news. Is. lii. 7.*

*Comfort them with the comfort wherewith we
 ourselves are comforted of God. 2 Cor. i. 4.*

*Committed to us the word of reconciliation.
 R. v. 19.*

NOW beautiful appear
 Their feet on Zion's hill,
 They bring the gospel-tidings near,
 And speak the things they feel,

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- 2 To them a charge is giv'n,
Commissioned from above;
To shew *how* sins may be forgiv'n;
And prove that God is love.

31.

The same.

*We believe, and therefore we speak. 2 Cor. iv. 1.
If any man preach any other gospel, let him be
cursed. Gal. i. 8.*

- 1 **H**ERALDS of the King of kings
Preach the peace the gospel brings;
Loud extol th' incarnate God,
Preach the virtue of his blood.
- 2 Celebrate with ev'ry breath
Jesu's meritorious death;
Praise the saints' unspotted dress,
Christ's imputed righteousness.
- 3 Speak of free electing grace,
Shining in Immanuel's face;
Speak of Jesu's saving name,
Which for ever is the same.
- 4 And may we in prayers join,
Blessing, praising love divine;
Never be ashamed to tell
Christ hath sav'd our souls from hell.

32.

The Way to win Souls.

that winneth souls is wise. Prov. xii. 30.
love him, because he first loved us. 1 John iv. 19.
reby perceive we the love of God, because he laid
down his life for us. 1 John iii. 16.

WOULD you win a soul to God?
 Tell him of the Saviour's blood;
 Say how Jesu's bowels move;
 Tell him of redeeming love.

Tell him how the streams did glide
 From his hands, his feet, and side;
 How his head with thorns was crown'd,
 And his heart in sorrow drown'd.

Tell him how he suffer'd death,
 Freely yielded up his breath,
 Died, and rose to intercede
 As our High Priest and our Head.

Tell him that 'twas sov'reign grace
 Vrought on you to seek his face,
 Made you choose the better part,
 Bought salvation to your heart.

Tell him of that liberty
 Wherewith Jesus makes us free;
weetly speak of sins forgiven,
inest of the joys of heaven.

33.

False Prophets.

Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing. Mat. vii. 15.

Believe not every spirit, but try the spirits, because many false prophets are gone out into the world. 1 John iv. 1.

If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, &c. Deut. xiii. 1, &c.

- 1 **N**O prophet, nor dreamer of dreams,
 No master of plausible speech,
 To live like an angel who seems,
 Or like an apostle to preach;
 No tempter, without or within,
 No spirit, though ever so bright,
 That comes crying out against sin,
 And looks like an angel of light;
- 2 Though reason, though fitness he urge,
 Or plead with the words of a friend,
 Or wonders of argument forge,
 Or deep revelations pretend;
 Should meet with a moment's regard,
 But rather be boldly withstood,
If any thing, easy or hard,
 He teach, save the Lamb and his blood.

- 3 Remember, O Christian, with heed,
 When sunk under sentence of death,
 How first thou from bondage wast freed;
 Say, was it by works, or by faith?
 On Christ thy affections then fix'd,
 What conjugal truth didst thou vow!
 With him was there any thing mix'd?
 Then what wouldst thou mix with him now?
- 4 If close to thy Lord thou wouldst cleave,
 Depend on his promise alone;
His righteousness wouldst thou receive?
 Then learn to renounce all thy own.
 The faith of a Christian indeed
 Is more than mere notion or whim:
 United to Jesus, his head,
 He draws life and virtue from him.
- 5 Deceiv'd by the father of lies,
 Blind guides cry, *Lo here!* and *lo there!*
 By these our Redeemer us tries,
 And warns us of such to beware;
 Poor comfort to mourners they give
 Who set us to labour in vain,
 And strive, with a *Do this, and live,*
 To drive us to Egypt again.
- 6 But what says our Shepherd divine?
 (For his blessed word we should keep)
 "This flock has my Father made mine*;
 "I lay down my life for my sheep†:

* *John* x. 29.

† *Ver.* 15.

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“ ’Tis life everlasting I give * ;
 “ My blood was the price that it cost † :
 “ Not one, that on me shall believe ‡ ,
 “ Shall ever be finally lost.”

7 This God is the God we adore,
 Our faithful unchangeable friend,
 Whose love is as large as his pow’r,
 And neither knows measure nor end:
 ’Tis Jesus, the first and the last,
 Whose Spirit shall guide us safe home;
 We’ll praise him for all that is past,
 And trust him for all that’s to come.

34.

Deceitfulness of Spiritual Riches.

Blessed are the poor in spirit. Matt. v. 3.

Because thou sayest I am rich, and increased with goods. Rev. iii. 17.

It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. Mark x. 23.

1 **W**HAT makes mistaken men afraid
 Of sov’ reign grace to preach?
 The reason is (if truth be said),
 Because they are so rich.

* John 28.

† Ver. 11.

‡ Ch. iii. 15, 16.

Why so offensive in their eyes
Doth God's election seem?
Because they think themselves so wise,
That they have chosen *him*.

Of perseverance why so loth
Are some to speak or hear?
Because, as masters over sloth,
They vow to persevere.

Whence is imputed righteousness
A point so little known?
Because men think they all possess
Some righteousness their own.

Not so the needy helpless soul
Prefers his humble pray'r;
He looks to him that works the whole,
And seeks his treasure there.

His language is, " Let *me*, my God,
" On sov'reign grace rely,
" And own 'tis free because bestow'd
" On one so vile as I.

" *Election!* 'tis a word divine;
" For, Lord, I plainly see,
" Had not thy choice prevented mine,
" I ne'er had chosen *thee*.

" For *perseverance* strength I've none,
" But would on this depend,
" *That Jesus having lov'd his own,*
" *He lov'd them to the end.*"

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- 9 “ Empty and bare, I come to thee
 “ For righteousness divine;
 “ O may thy matchless merits be
 “ By *imputation* mine !”
- 10 Thus differ these; yet hoping each
 To make salvation sure:
 Now most men would approve the *rich*,
 But Christ has blest the *poor*.

35.

Gospel Invitation.

Come unto me, all ye that are weary and heavy laden
 Matt. xi. 28.

I came not to call the righteous, but sinners. Ma
 ix. 13.

He justifieth the ungodly. Rom. iv. 5.

- 1 COME, ye sinners, poor and wretched,
 Weak and wounded, sick and fore;
 Jesus ready stands to save you,
 Full of pity join'd with pow'r:—
 He is able, he is able, he is able,
 He is willing, doubt no more.

- 2 Ho ! ye needy, come and welcome,
 God's free bounty glorify;
 True belief, and true repentance,
 Ev'ry grace that brings us nigh—
 Without money,

COME to Jesus Christ, and buy.

Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness he requireth
Is to feel your need of him:
This he gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruis'd and mangled by the fall;
If ye tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all—
Not the righteous,
Sinners Jesus came to call.

36.

The same.

Ho! every one that thirsteth. Is. lv. 1.

Blessed are they that thirst, for they shall be filled.
Matt. v. 6.

Let him that is athirst come, and take of the water of life freely. Rev. xxii. 17.

HO! ev'ry one that thirsts, draw nigh;
Salvation suits the sinner's case;
Mercy and free salvation buy;
Buy wine, and milk, and gospel grace.
Nothing ye in exchange may give;
Leave all ye have and are behind;
Freely the gift of God receive,
Pardon and peace in Jesus find.

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- 3 For *sinner*s Jesus deign'd to bleed,
And *sinner*s in his kingdom share;
Who comes as such, and feels his need,
Shall find a kind reception there.

37.

For the Success of the Gospel.

As becometh the gospel. Phil. i. 27.

With reverence and godly fear. Heb. xii. 28.

*He will worship God, and report that God is in y
of a truth.* 1 Cor. xiv. 25.

- 1 **T**HE good hand of God has brought us again
(A favour bestow'd, we hope, not in vain
To hear from our Saviour the word of his grace
Then be our behaviour becoming the place.
- 2 Remember the ends for which we are met:
Alas, my dear friends, we often forget!
The motives that brought us the Lord only set
But, if he has taught us, our ends will be the
- 3 To worship the Lord with praise and with pray
To practise his word as well as to hear;
To own with contrition the deeds we have done
And take the remission God gives in his Son
- 4 Blest Spirit of Christ, descend on us thus;
Thy servant assist, teach him to teach us;
O send us thy unction, to teach us all good.
And touch with compunction, and sprinkle
blood.

38.

The same.

*The word preached did not profit—not being mixed
with faith in them that heard it. Heb. iv. 2.*

*Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only. Ja.
i. 22.*

*He that received seed into the good ground is he that
beareth the word, and understandeth it; which
also beareth fruit. Matt. xiii. 23.*

1 **THY** presence, gracious God, afford;
Prepare us to receive thy word;
Now give to us the hearing ear,
May faith be mix'd with what we hear!

C H O R U S.

Thus, Lord, thy waiting servants bless,
And crown thy gospel with success.

2 Distracting thoughts and cares remove,
O fix our hearts and hopes above;
With food divine may we be fed,
With Christ himself, the Living Bread.

C H O R. Thus, Lord, &c.

3 To us thy sacred word apply
With sov'reign pow'r and energy;
And may we, in thy faith and fear,
Praise thy word as well as hear.

C H O R. Thus, Lord, &c.

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- 4 Father, in us thy Son reveal,
 Teach us to know and do thy will;
 Thy saving pow'r and love display,
 Through Christ, the Life, the Truth, the Wa
 CHOR. Thus, Lord, &c.

39.

The same.

Thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and revealed them unto babes. Matt. xi. 12.

They that are unlearned and unstable wrest the scriptures to their own destruction. 2 Pet. iii. 16.

The anointing teacheth you of all things; and truth, and is no lie. 1 John ii. 27.

- 1 **A**S, Lord, our blessings come from thee,
 And in thy light the light we see;
 Thou hid'st thy truth from prudent eyes,
 But mak'st the babe and suckling wise:
 O give us now the hearing ear,
 And fill our souls with godly fear!

- 2 Open thy scriptures to our mind;
 May we the hidden treasure find!
 Do thou the mysteries unfold,
 More precious far than mines of gold;
 And, when thy gospel is set forth,
 Oh may we see and feel its worth!

- 3 The sacred page we're sure to wrest,
 Unless with that anointing blest
 By which alone thy mind we learn,
 And can thy blessed truths discern:
 Give us, O Lord, the seeing eye;
 With power, too, thy word apply.
- 4 Though we may see the table spread,
 Yet that is not to eat the bread:
 By faith may we receive that food
 By which our strength may be renew'd;
 Receiving in our hearts the word,
 May we go on to serve our Lord!

40.

The same.

They went and preached—the Lord working with them, and confirming the word. Mark xvi. 21.

Our gospel came not unto you in word only; but also in power, and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance. 1 Thess. i. 5.

Not the word of men, but in truth the word of God. 1 Thess. ii. 13.

1 **L**ORD, we come before thee now,
 At thy feet we humbly bow;
 On thy help our souls depend;
 In compassion now descend:

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Fill our hearts with thy rich grace;
Tune our lips to sing thy praise:
May thy Spirit from above
Fill our hearts with peace and love!

- 2 Send some message from thy Word
Which may joy and peace afford;
Heal the sick, the captive free,
That they may rejoice in thee:
Stablish, Lord, our hearts with grace;
Give us an abiding peace.
May thy Spirit now impart
Full salvation to the heart!

AFTER SERMON.

HYMN 41.

UPON the seed now sown
 Thy blessing, Lord, bestow;
 The pow'r is thine alone
 To make it spring and grow:
 O thou the gracious harvest raise,
 And thou alone shalt have the praise.

42.

1 O JESU, my Lord,
 Thy name be ador'd
 All the rich blessings convey'd through thy word.
 2 In spirit we trace
 Thy wonders of grace,
 And cheerfully join in a concert of praise.
 3 The people who know
 The Saviour below,
 With burning affection to worship him glow.
 4 This blessing be mine,
 Through favour divine;
 O my Redeemer, the glory be thine.
 5 The work is of grace:
*Thine, thine be the praise,
 And mine to adore thee, and tell of thy ways*

43.

- 1 **SINNERS**, hear your situation :—
Sin has marr'd God's fair creation.
Boast your native strength no longer,
Sin and death than you are stronger.
- 2 Enemies to God and goodness,
All are sunk in sin and lewdness;
He to this who is a stranger
Must be in the greatest danger.
- 3 Trusting to your smooth behaviour
Only keeps you from the Saviour :
Sick men feel their bad condition;
But the whole need no physician.

44.

- 1 **THE** Lord, who wounds, can also heal;
He doth his grace and truth reveal :
He gently leads us to the Son,
And bids us trust what he has done.
- 2 What shall I render to his name
By whom this great salvation came?
I'm not my own, but bough. with blood,
And therefore would I live to God.

45.

THE sinner that truly believes,
And trusts in a crucified God,
His justification receives—
Redemption in full through his blood.

Though thousands and thousands of foes
Against him in malice unite,
Their rage he through Christ can oppose,
Led forth by the Spirit to fight.

Not all the delusions of sin
Against him shall fully prevail;
For he has this witness within—
“The promises never can fail.”

46.

LET me but hear my Saviour say,
Strength shall be equal to the day,
Then I rejoice amidst distress,
And lean on all-sufficient grace:
I glory in infirmity,
That Christ's own pow'r may rest on me.
*When I am weak, then am I strong;
Christ is my shield, and Christ my song.*

47.

HAPPY he whoe'er believes;
Who the word of faith receives:
He in Christ has holiness,
Wisdom, pardon, righteousness.

48.

- 1 **O**F him, who did salvation bring,
May we for ever think and sing:
Though we are guilty, he'll forgive;
Though we are needy, he'll relieve.
- 2 All heav'n does with the praises ring
Of our exalted Lord and King.
Devils are forc'd to own his pow'r,
But saints his grace and truth adore.

49.

- 1 **A**MAZING grace! how sweet the
It sav'd a wretch like me:
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.

- 2 'Twas grace that taught my soul to fear;
 'Twas grace my fears reliev'd :
 How precious did that grace appear
 The hour I first believ'd !
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
 I have already come :
 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far ;
 And grace will bring me home.
- 4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
 And mortal life shall cease,
 I shall possess, within the vail,
 A life of joy and peace.

50.

- 1 **N**OTHING can preserve my going
 But salvation full and free ;
 Nothing can my soul dishearten
 But my absence, Lord, from thee :
 Nothing can delay my progress,
 Nothing can disturb my rest,
 If I can, whate'er the danger,
 Lean my spirit on thy breast.
- 2 In thy presence I am happy,
 In thy presence I'm secure ;
 In thy presence all afflictions
 I can easily endure :

In thy presence I can conquer,
 I can suffer, I can die:
 Far from thee I faint and languish;
 O, my Saviour, keep me nigh!

51.

- 1 **A**LTHOUGH the Lord may hide
 His covenant is sure;
 His love and mercy, truth and grace
 For ever must endure.
- 2 Beneath his smiles my soul has liv'd,
 And part of heav'n possess;
 I'll praise him for the grace receiv'd,
 And trust him for the rest.

52.

- 1 **B**LOOD has a voice to pierce the
 "Revenge!" the blood of Abel
 The streams which flow'd from Jesu
 Speak life and peace to all around.
- 2 To him, then, let our praises rise,
 Who gave himself a sacrifice;
 And now, before the throne of God,
 He pleads the merit of his blood.

53.

SINNERS are sav'd by Jesu's blood,
 How vile soe'er they be;
 Eternal life's the gift of God,
 And gifts are always free.

54.

SINCE my Redeemer's gone
 T' appear before my God,
 And sprinkle o'er the flaming throne
 With his atoning blood;

No fiery vengeance now,
 Nor burning wrath, I fear:
 If summon'd to the judgment bar,
 My advocate is there.

For sinful me he pleads,
 "I did the law fulfil:"
 'Tis thus my High Priest intercedes,
 And shews the cancell'd bill.

55.

BELIEVERS own that they are blind,
 But wisdom in the Lord they find;
Unrighteous, too, themselves confess,
But boast of Christ, their righteousness.

- 2 That they're unholy, too, is plain,
But yet, in Christ, without a stain;
By nature, too, children of wrath,
Yet they redemption have by faith.
- 3 To Jesus join'd, we've all that's good
Seal'd by his Spirit, bought with blood
In him we live, in him we stand,
Complete at God the Father's hand.

56.

HE who opens the blind eyes,
Who the filthy sanctifies,
Who redeem'd us with his blood—
Is the Righteousness of God:
We—in him—liv'd, bled, and died;
We—in him—were glorified;
We—in him—are now set down;
We—through him—shall wear the crown.

57.

- 1 HAD I ten thousand gifts beside,
I'd cleave to Jesus crucified,
And build on him alone:
For no foundation is there giv'n,
On which to place our hopes of heav'n
But Christ, the Corner Stone.

2 Possessing Christ, I all possess;
 Wisdom, and strength, and righteousness,
 And holiness complete :
 Bold *in his name*, I dare draw nigh
 Before God's pure, all-searching eye,
 And all his justice meet.

58.

REJOICE, rejoice, ye sons of God,
 Salvation now is come ;
 The virtue of Immanuel's blood
 Strikes the accuser dumb.
 Shout, shout Immanuel's lovely name ;
 To him be glory giv'n !
 Aloud through all the earth proclaim
 That peace is made with heav'n.
 Peace, peace is preach'd through Jesu's blood.
 (To be enjoy'd by faith),
 Whereby we are brought home to God
 By virtue of Christ's death.

CHRIST'S PERSON, WORK, &c.

HYMN 59.

The Name Jesus.

Thy name is as ointment poured forth. Cant. i. 3.
There is none other name under heaven given among
men whereby we must be saved. Acts iv. 12.
The desire of our soul is to thy name. Ps. xxvi. 8.

- 1 JESUS! oh how sweet the sound!
 The joy of earth and heav'n;
 No other help is found,
 No other name is giv'n,
 By which we can salvation have:
 But Jesus came our souls to save.
- 2 Jesu's harmonious name,
 It charms the host above;
 They evermore proclaim,
 And wonder at, his love:
 'Tis all their happiness to gaze;
 'Tis heav'n to see our Jesu's face.

name the sinner hears,
And is from guilt set free :
His music in his ears ;
Tis life and victory :
His songs do now his lips employ,
And dances his glad heart for joy.

60.

The Return of Gratitude.

*Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we
are glad.* Ps. cxxvi. 3.

Glory is of the Lord. Jonah ii. 9.

*we received the Spirit which is of God, that
might know the things freely given us:* 1 Cor.
12.

Jesus is the chiefest good ;
He hath sav'd us by his blood :
To us value nought but him ;
Nothing else deserves esteem.

Jesus gives us life and peace,
Truth, and love, and holiness ;
Every blessing, great and small ;
To us Christ procur'd them all.

Jesus hath our sins forgiv'n ;
Jesus hath made peace with heav'n :
Jesus, therefore, let us own ;
As we'll exalt alone.

61.

The Offices of Christ.

*Made so much better than the angels, as
more excellent name than they.*

- 1 JOIN all the glorious names
Of wisdom, love, and pow'r,
That mortals ever knew,
That angels ever bore :
All are too mean to speak his worth ;
Too mean to set the Saviour forth.

*Jesus went about—teaching—preaching—
manner of sickness. Matt. iv. 23*

- 2 What kind endearing words,
What condescending ways,
Does our Redeemer use
To teach his heav'nly grace !
My soul, with joy and wonder, see
What forms of love he bears for thee

*I will raise up a prophet from among thee
Deut. xviii. 15.*

- 3 Great Prophet of our God,
Our tongues would bless thy name
By thee the joyful news
Of our salvation came :
The joyful news of sin forgiv'n,
Of hell subdu'd, and peace with heav'n

*High Priest that is passed into heaven. Heb.
iv. 14.*

us, our great *High Priest*,
fer'd his blood and died:
you guilty sinner, seek
his sacrifice beside:
his bow'ful blood did once atone,
now it pleads before the throne.

*in the midst of thine enemies—Thy people
be willing in the day of thy power. Ps. cx.*

you, dear almighty Lord,
our *Conqu'ror* and our *King*,
thy sceptre and thy sword,
thy reigning grace we sing:
thou art the pow'r: oh may we sit
in chains beneath thy feet!

62.

Characters of Christ.

*and my messenger, even the messenger of the
Lord. Mal. iii. 1.*

PREPARED in mortal flesh,
Lo! the great Angel stands!
He holds the promises
in his hands:
He is sent from his Father's throne
To give his grace to mortals known.

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Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel. Ps. l.

- 2 Be thou our counsellor,
Our pattern, and our guide;
And through this desert land
Still keep us near thy side:
O let our feet ne'er run astray,
Nor rove, nor seek the crooked way!

He shall feed his flock as a shepherd. Is. x

- 3 We'd hear our Shepherd's voice,
Whose watchful eye doth keep
Poor wand'ring souls among
The thousands of his sheep:
He feeds his flock, he calls their name
His bosom bears the tender lambs.

*Jesus was made a surety of a better testam
vii. 22.*

- 4 To this dear Surety's hands,
My soul, commend thy cause;
He answers and fulfils
His Father's broken laws:
Believing souls now free are set,
For Christ hath paid their dreadful debt.

63.

Characters and Offices of Christ.

Invisible things are understood by the things that are made. Rom. i. 20.

In all things he has the pre-eminence. Col. i. 18.

The things that are seen are temporal—the things that are not seen are eternal 2 Cor. iv. 18.

CHRIST is th' eternal Rock,
On which his church is built;
The Shepherd of his little flock;
The Lamb that took our guilt;
Our Counsellor; our Guide;
Our Brother, and our Friend;
The Bridegroom of his chosen bride,
Who loves her to the end.

He is the Son to free;
The Bishop he to bless;
The full Propitiation he;
The Lord our Righteousness;
His body's glorious Head;
Our Advocate that pleads;
Our Priest that pray'd, aton'd, and bled,
And ever intercedes.

Let all obedient souls
Their grateful tribute bring;
Submit to Jesu's righteous rules;
And bow before their King:

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Our Prophet Christ expounds
His and our Father's will ;
'This good Physician cures our wounds
With tenderness and skill.

4 When sin had sadly made
'Twixt wrath and mercy strife,
Our dear Redeemer dearly paid
Our ransom with his life :
Faith gives the full release ;
Our Surety for us stood ;
The Mediator made the peace,
And sign'd it with his blood.

5 Soldiers, your Captain own ;
Domestics, serve your Lord ;
Sinners, the Saviour's love make know
Saints, hymn th' incarnate word :
The Witness sure and true
Of God's good-will to men ;
The Alpha and th' Omega too ;
The first and last Amen.

6 Poor pilgrims shall not stray,
Who frighted flee from wrath :
A bleeding Jesus is the way ;
And blood tracks all the path :
Christians in Christ obtain
The Truth that can't deceive ;
And never shall they die again
Who in the Life believe.

64.

Pre-existence of Christ.

The Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
Rev. xiii. 8.

He took upon him the form of a servant. Phil. ii. 7.
*Glorify thou me with the glory which I had with thee
before the world was.* John xvii. 5.

BEFORE the wheel of time did run
Christ was the Father's darling Son ;
This character he did sustain,
The *Lamb* before creation slain :

And, in this world when he appears,
A servant's form he meanly wears ;
God's glory shines in Jesu's face,
In whom he manifests his grace.

To him alone our souls look up,
And his salvation is our hope :
In him we live, in him we stand,
Accepted now at God's right hand.

To God we lift our heart and voice,
And in his name we will rejoice,
*Who hath redeem'd us by his blood,
And made us kings and priests to God.*

65.

Jesus for ever the same

Thou art the same, and thy years be
ciii. 27.

I am Alpha and Omega. Rev. i. 8.

He is before all things, and by him a
Col. i. 17.

- 1 **H**IGH on his Father's royal throne
Jesus in highest glory shone
Ere Adam's clay with life was wove
Or Gabriel's nobler spirit form'd
- 2 Ages shall pass away, but he
The same has been—the same shall be
Eternal radiance gilds his head,
While stars and suns wax old and
- 3 The same his pow'r his flock to lead
The same his bounty to reward;
The same his faithfulness and love
To saints on earth, and saints at
- 4 Nature shall change and fade, as
Jesus shall raise his chosen high,
And seat them with him on his throne
In glory changeless as his own.

66.

The best Feast.

Let no man judge you in respect of a holy day. Col. ii. 16.

this mountain shall the Lord make a feast of fat things. Is. xxv. 6.

Who eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life. Jo. vi. 54.

WE will not dispute, nor contend for a day,
Whether Jesus was born in December or May;
But this we contend for, let who will oppose,
He hath finish'd his work, and vanquish'd his foes.

Your Christmas amusements low pleasures afford,
His joy is divine who believes on the Lord:
For him there's a table most sumptuously spread;
Christ's blood is the wine, and his flesh is the bread.

This feast is internal, and eternal too;
The provisions will last us eternity through:
The love to the Saviour will never wax old;
New joys will spring up as new glories unfold.

That man, who was born to redeem and restore
My body and soul, is the God I adore;
And, as he at all times is one and the same,
At all times I'll serve him, and call on his name

67.

The Kinsman.

THE SON OF MAN.

*Spread thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou
near kinsman. Ruth iii. 9.*

*He took not upon him the nature of angels, b
seed of Abraham. Heb. ii. 16.*

1 **J**ESUS, we claim thee for our own;
Our Kinsman, near allied in blood:
Flesh of our flesh; bone of our bone;
The Son of man; the Son of God:
Oh may we lie at thy dear feet,
Our sentence from thy mouth to meet!

2 Partaker of our flesh below,
To thee, O Jesus, we apply;
Thou wilt thy poor relations know,
Thou never canst thyself deny;
Nor cast us from thy guardian care,
Nor flight a seeking sinner's pray'r.

3 Thee, Saviour, in our greatest need,
We trust our greatest friend to prove;
Now o'er thy waiting servants spread
The skirt of thy redeeming love:
Under thy wings protecting, take
And save us for thy mercies' sake.

68.

The Mystery of Godliness.

ought it no robbery to be equal with God. Phil. ii. 6.
she brought forth her first-born son. Luke ii. 7.
is our God. Is. xxv. 9.

ESUS, all praise is due to thee,
 That thou wast pleas'd a man to be;
 virgin's womb thou didst not scorn,
 And unto us a child wast born.

Thou blessed Father's only Son
 Wouldest condescend to quit his throne;
 And, though the high and mighty God,
 Thou fumes our feeble flesh and blood.

Thou whom earth could not contain, nor skies,
 Now in a manger meanly lies;
 Thou who the earth's foundation laid
 Now a little infant made.

Thou Son, th' almighty God confest,
 Thy own world becomes a guest;
 And open'd, through himself—THE WAY—
 Passage to eternal day.

For us these wonders he hath wrought—
 Amazing love! surpassing thought!
 His name we bless, his praise we sing;
 For God incarnate, and our King.

69.

The Incarnation.

*Great is the mystery of godliness, God
the flesh. 1 Tim. iii. 16.*

*It becometh us to fulfil all righteousness.
15.*

The chastisement of our peace was upon him

1 **O**H' how great's the mystery
Of incarnate Deity !
Human nature God assumes,
And to ransom sinners comes :
Christ was not conceiv'd in sin,
But was infinitely clean ;
Him no sinful spot disguis'd ;
Yet, lo ! he was circumcis'd.

2 He fulfill'd all righteousness,
Standing in our legal place ;
From the cradle to the cross,
All he did, he did for us :
He did all our woes retrieve ;
He expir'd that we might live ;
By his stripes our wounds are heal'd
By his blood our peace is seal'd.

3 *Jesu's pain procures our ease ;
Jesu's death is our release ;*

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Jesu's cross obtains our crown ;
Jesu's sepulchre's our throne :
Lord, conform us to thy death ;
Bid our sins yield up their breath ;
By thy resurrection's pow'r
Make our souls to glory soar.

70.

The same.

There was a multitude of the heavenly host, &c.
Luke ii. 13.

*The woman, being deceived, was in the transgression,
notwithstanding she shall be saved in [rather
through] childbearing. 1 Tim. ii. 14, 15.*

Made of a woman—made under the law. Gal. iv. 4.

HARK ! the herald angels sing
“ Glory to the new-born King !
“ Peace on earth, and mercy mild ;
“ God and sinners reconcil'd !”

Sons of Zion, too, arise !
Join the triumph of the skies ;
And with angels loud proclaim,
“ Christ was born in Bethlehem.”

Christ—by highest heav'n ador'd ;
Christ—the everlasting Lord ;
Late in time is pleas'd to come,
Offspring of a virgin's womb.

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- 4 Ve I'd in flesh, the Godhead see!
Hail th' incarnate Deity!
God with us, Immanuel,
Pleas'd as man with men to dwell.
- 5 Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Sun of Righteousness!
Born to raise the sons of earth;
Born to give them second birth.

71.

A just God and a Saviour.

He will magnify the law, and make it honourable
Is. xlii. 21.

He hath put away sin by the sacrifice of himself
Heb. ix. 26.

By one man's obedience many are made righteous
Rom. v. 19.

- 1 OH the pow'r of love divine!
Who its heights and depths can tell—
Tell Jehovah's great design
To redeem our souls from hell!

- 2 Myst'ry of redemption this—
“All my sins on Christ were laid;
Mine offence was reckon'd his;
He the great atonement made.”

3 Fully I am justify'd ;
 Free from sin, and more than free :
 Guiltless—since for me he died ;
 Righteous—since he liv'd for me.

4 Jesus, now to thee I bow ;
 Let thy praise my tongue employ :
 Sav'd unto the utmost now,
 Who can speak my heart-felt joy !

72.

The Sinner's Friend.

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John xv. 13.

In due time Christ died for the ungodly, &c. Rom. v. 6, 7, 8, 9.

This is my beloved—this is my friend. Cant. v. 16.

ONE there is, above all others,
 Well deserves the name of friend ;
 His is love beyond a brother's,
 Costly, free, and knows no end :
 They, who once his kindness prove,
 Find it everlasting love.

Which of all our friends, to save us,
 Could or would have shed his blood ?
 But our Jesus died to have us
 Reconcil'd through him to God :
 This was boundless love indeed ;
 Jesus is a friend in need.

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- 3 When he liv'd on earth abas'd,
 Friend of sinners was his name;
 Now, above all glory rais'd,
 He rejoices in the same:
 Still he calls them brethren,
 And to all their wants attends.
- 4 Oh! for grace, our hearts to soften
 Teach us, Lord, at length to love
 We, alas, forget too often
 What a friend we have above!
 But, when home our souls are
 We shall love thee as we ought

73.

The Passion satisfactory to
 Yet incomprehensible by

To know—what passeth knowledge. E
Now we see through a glass darkly—n
part. 1 Cor. xiii. 12.

What thou knowest not now, thou shalt
after. John xiii. 7.

- 1 **M**UCH we talk of Jesu's blood
 But how little's understood!
 Of his suff'rings, so intense,
 We can have no perfect sense;
 Nor can rightly comprehend
 Their beginning nor their end:

'Tis to God, and God alone,
That their weight is fully known.

Dearly are we bought; for God
Bought us with his own heart's blood.
Jesus, what a love was thine!
O the depths of love divine!
Though the wonders thou hast done
Are as yet so little known,
Yet from this we comfort take—
Jesus suffer'd for our sake.

74.

Judgment to Victory.

I will put enmity between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel. Gen. iii. 15.

That through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is the devil. Heb. ii. 14.

There is therefore now no condemnation to them who are in Christ Jesus. Rom. viii. 1.

T'IS finish'd, the Redeemer said;
Then meekly bow'd his dying head.
O wondrous loving pain!
Oh how important is the word!
It shews the conquest of our Lord
Complete for helpless man.

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- 2 Finish'd—the righteousness of grace ;
Finish'd—the pain which brought us p
The sinner's debt is paid ;
Accusing law cancell'd by blood ;
The wrath of an offended God
Is in oblivion laid.
- 3 Who now shall urge a second claim ?
The law cannot the saint condemn ;
Faith a release can shew ;
Justice itself his friend appears ;
The prison-house a whisper hears—
“ Loose him, and let him go.”
- 4 O unbelief, injurious bar,
Source of tormenting fruitless fear,
Why dost thou yet reply ?
Where'er thy loud objections fall,
'Tis *finish'd*—still may answer all,
And silence ev'ry cry.

75.

The Fountain for Sin,

*In that day there shall be a fountain opene
house of David, and to the inhabitants of
lem, for sin and for uncleanness. Zech. xii*

- 1 THE fountain of Christ
Assist me to sing ;
The blood of our Priest,
Our crucify'd King ;

Which perfectly cleanses
From sin and from filth;
And richly dispenses
Salvation and health.

2 This fountain so dear
He'll freely impart.
Unlock'd by the spear,
It gush'd from his heart
With blood, and with water:
The first to atone;
To cleanse us the latter:
The fountain's but one.

3 This fountain is such
(As thousands can tell)
The moment we touch
Its streams, we are well:
All waters beside them
Are full of the curse;
For all that have tried them
Swell, rot, and grow worse.

4 This fountain, sick soul,
Recovers thee quite:
Bathe here, and be whole;
Wash here, and be white:
Whatever diseases
Or dangers befall,
The fountain of Jesus
Will rid thee of all.

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- 5 This fountain from guilt
Not only makes pure,
And gives, soon as felt,
Infallible cure;
But, if guilt removed
Return, and remain,
Its pow'r may be proved
Again and again.
- 6 This fountain, unseal'd,
Stands open for all
That long to be heal'd,
The great and the small:
Here's strength for the weakly,
That hither are led;
Here's health for the sickly;
Here's life for the dead.
- 7 This fountain, though rich,
From charge is quite clear;
The poorer the wretch,
The welcomer here.
Come needy, come guilty,
Come loathsome and bare;
You can't come too filthy—
Come just as you are.
- 8 This fountain in vain
Has never been tried;
It takes out all stain
Whenever applied:
The water flows sweetly,
With virtue divine,
To cleanse souls completely,
Though leprous as mine.

76.

Love begets Love.

loving kindness have I drawn thee. Jer. xxxi.

Healeth the broken in heart. Ps. cxlvii. 3.

*Soul shall rejoice, which thou hast redeemed. Ps.
i. 23.*

there a thing that moves and breaks
A heart as hard as stone,
melts a heart as cold as ice?
Tis Jesu's blood alone.

One drop of this can truly cheer,
And heal the wounded soul;
That multitude of broken hearts
This living stream makes whole!

ark, O my soul! what sings the choir
Around the throne of God?
They praise the Lamb for evermore,
Who bought them with his blood.

The elders too cast down their crowns;
And all, both night and day,
Sing praise to him who died for them,
And wash'd their sins away.

77.

Worldly Glory eclipsed.

I count all things loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ. Phil. iii. 13.

God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross. Gal. vi. 14.

We are bought with a price 1 Cor. vi. 20.

- 1 **W**HEN I survey the wond'rous cross,
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.
- 2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the cross of Christ my God :
How vain those things which charm me most,
When I can feel thy cleansing blood !
- 3 See from his head—his hands—his feet—
Sorrow and love flow mingling down !
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown ?
- 4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
'T would be a present far too small :
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

78.

Expect all that God can give.

*were not redeemed with corruptible things—but
with the precious blood of Christ.*

*God spared not his own Son, how shall he not with
him freely give us all things? Rom. viii. 32.*

*according to my earnest expectations and hope. Phil.
i. 20.*

AND did the darling Son of God
For sinners deign to bleed?
The purchase of that precious blood
Must needs be rich indeed.

God's wisdom would not pay for toys
So great a price as this:
They've godlike glory, boundless joys,
And unexampled bliss.

Saints, raise your expectations high;
Hope all that heav'n has good;
For *you* the blood of Christ did buy—
Invaluable blood!

By others, for their virtue fair,
Let rich rewards be sought;
Give *me*, my God, thy love to share,
For *I* am dearly bought.

79.

Judgment executed,
The Surety released.

*The angel rolled back the stone from the door
sat upon it. Matt. xxviii. 2.*

*He was taken from prison, and from judgment.
—Forgiving iniquity—will by no means clear
the Surety). Ex. xxxiv. 7.*

1 THE angels shout—the Lord is risen
The pris'ner's taken from the prison
God's righteous law is satisfied;
And justice now is on our side:
Justice, justice, justice, justice, justice,
Now is on our side.

2 Our Surety is releas'd by God;
The bond was cancell'd by his blood;
No new demand, no bar remains,
But mercy through redemption reigns
Mercy, mercy, mercy, mercy, mercy,
Through redemption reigns.

80.

The Way.

in the way. John xiv. 6.

He is entered into heaven itself, to appear in the presence of God for us. Heb. ix. 21.

Because I live ye shall live. John xiv. 19.

[ESUS, my all, to heav'n is gone ;
 He whom I fix my hopes upon :
 His track I see ; and I'll pursue
 The narrow way till him I view.

The way the holy prophets went,
 The way that leads from banishment,
 The king's highway of holiness,
 'I'll go, for all his paths are peace.

No stranger may proceed therein ;
 No lover of the world and sin,
 No lion, no devouring care,
 No sin, nor sorrow, shall be there.

No—nothing may go up thereon,
 But trav'ling souls—and I am one ;
 Way-faring men, to Canaan bound,
 Shall only in that way be found.

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- 5 This is the way I long had sought,
And mourn'd because I found it not :
And long it has my burden been
To feel the guilt and pow'r of sin.
- 6 But, though I strove against its pow'r,
I sinn'd and stumbled but the more ;
Till late I heard my Saviour say,
" Come hither, soul, I am the Way : "
- 7 Lo ! glad I come ; and thou, blest Lamb,
Shalt take me to thee as I am :
Nothing but sin I thee can give ;
Nothing but love shall I receive.
- 8 Now will I tell to sinners round
What a dear Saviour I have found ;
I'll point to his redeeming blood,
And say, " Behold the Way to God ! "

81.

The Advocate.

an advocate with the Father.

oved his own, he loved them to the end.

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st in his love. Zeph. iii. 17.

[AN there is—a real man—

With wounds still gaping wide ;
which rich streams of blood once ran ;
n hands, and feet, and side.

ondrous man, of whom we tell,
ue Almighty God ;
ught us, and from death and hell
cem'd us, with his blood.

uman heart he still retains,
ough thron'd in highest bliss,
els each tempted member's pains ;
our affliction's his.

ood can cleanse the blackest soul,
l wash our guilt away ;
all present us, sound and whole,
the great judgment day.

82.

The Intercessor,

Hope is an anchor, which enters into that vail within the vail, where Jesus is. Heb. vi.

He is able to save to the uttermost; seeing lives to make intercession for us. Heb. vii.

He knows how to deliver. 2 Pet. ii. 9.

- 1 WITH joy we meditate the grace
Of our High Priest above :
His heart is made of tenderness ;
His bowels melt with love.
- 2 Touch'd with a sympathy within,
He knows our feeble frame ;
He knows what fore temptations mean,
For he has felt the same,
- 3 Spotless, and innocent, and pure,
The great Redeemer stood,
While Satan's fiery darts he bore,
Resisting unto blood.
- 4 Then let our humble faith address
His mercy and his pow'r ;
We shall obtain deliv'ring grace
In the distressing hour.

83.

Future Judgment.

*appointed unto all men once to die; and after
with the judgment. Heb. ix. 27.*

*trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised.
Cor. xv. 52.*

wicked shall be turned into hell. Ps. ix. 17.

YE Christians, hear the joyful news—
Death has receiv'd a deadly bruise;
Our Lord has made his empire fall,
And conquer'd him that conquer'd all.
Conquer'd, conquer'd, conquer'd, conquer'd,
Conquer'd him that conquer'd all.

Though doom'd are all men once to die,
Yet we by faith death's pow'r defy:
We soon shall feel his bands unbound,
Awaken'd by th' archangel's sound.
Waken'd, waken'd, &c.

§ The trump of God shall rend the rocks,
And open adamantine locks;
Bring forth the dead from death's dark dome;
And Jesus calls his ransom'd home.
Jesus, Jesus, &c.

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- 4 May sinners timely warning take ;
Turn to the Lord ; their ways forsal
And hope, through God's almighty
The happy resurrection hour,
Happy, happy, &c.

84.

The same.

*He shall see of the travail of his soul. If. li
I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man
at the right hand of God. Acts vii. 5.
The Lord Jesus shall be revealed from
2 Thess. i. 7—10.*

- 1 JESUS, who died lost man to save,
In triumph rises from the grave ;
And now sits down at God's right hand
Where all things bow to his command
- 2 He reaps the fruit of all his pain,
And heav'n adores the Lamb once slain
God-man for sin did once atone ;
God-man for ever fills the throne.
- 3 As once he did to heav'n ascend ;
Just so he will again descend ;
He'll judge the world in righteousness
And all his justice shall confess.

LORD'S SUPPER.

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Lord's Supper instituted.

See 1 Cor. xi. 24. Mat. xxvi. 26.
Mark xiv. 22. Luke xxii. 19.

THAT doleful night before his death,
The Lamb for sinners slain
Did almost with his latest breath
This solemn feast ordain :
To keep thy feast, Lord, are we met,
And to remember thee :
Help each poor trembler to repeat—
For me he died—for me. *Hal.*

Thy sufferings, Lord, each sacred sign
To our remembrance brings ;
We eat the bread, and drink the wine ;
But think on nobler things :
Tune our tongues, and set in frame
Each heart, that pants to thee,
To sing, " Hosanna to the Lamb—
" *The Lamb that died for me.*" *Hal.*

86.

Invitation.

- 1 **J**ESUS invites the poor
To meet around his board,
Where sinful worms may sit and
Communion with their Lord
- 2 For food he gives his flesh ;
He bids us drink his blood :
Amazing favour—matchless grace
Of our Redeemer God !

87.

Sinners are receive

This man receiveth sinners. L

- 1 **T**HIS is the feast of heav'nly
And God invites to sup :
The juices of the living vine
Were press'd to fill the cup.
- 2 Oh bless the Saviour, ye that eat
With royal dainties fed ;
Not heav'n affords a costlier treat
For Jesus is the bread !

- ; The vile, the lost, he calls to them.
 Ye trembling souls, appear !
 The righteous in their own esteem
 Have no acceptance here.

 ; Art thou a sinner? why refuse
 A banquet spread for you?
 Dear Saviour, this is welcome news—
 Then I may venture too.

 ; If guilt and sin afford a plea,
 And may obtain a place ;
 Surely the Lord will welcome me,
 And I shall see his face.

88.

Melchisedec entertains Abraham,

MELCHISEDEC, our King and Priest,
 Brings forth his bread and wine ;
 And may we, as the Saviour's guests,
 Receive the food divine !

'Tis not the outward sign can break
 The hard and stony heart ;
 But, if the Saviour does but speak,
 The hardness will depart,

92 LORD'S SUPPER.

- 3 We want, O Lord, as we can bear,
Some feeling of thy death ;
And may we in the blessings share
Which come to us through faith !

89.

Manna.

- 1 **W**HEN through the desert vast
The chosen tribes were led,
They could not plow, nor till, nor sow ;
Yet never wanted bread.
- 2 Around their wand'ring camp
The copious manna fell ;
Strew'd on the ground a food they found
But *what* they could not tell,
- 3 But better bread by far
Is now to Christians giv'n :
Poor sinners eat immortal bread—
'The living bread from heav'n.

90.

Unity of the Church,

ONE BODY, ONE SPIRIT, ONE LORD, ONE
FAITH, ONE BAPTISM.

communion of the body of Christ. 1 Cor. x.
5, 17.

bread and one body. 1 Cor. x. 17.

*body is one, and hath many members: and all
the members of that one body, being many, are one
body—so also is Christ.* 1 Cor. xii, 12.

OH may the Spirit now impart
God's saving grace to ev'ry heart!
How may we all with one accord
partake this supper of our Lord!

For sinners see this table spread!
The sinner's friend is at the head:
He says, My body is the bread;
He wine my blood for sinners shed.

Baptized into Jesu's death,
We own one God, one Lord, one faith;
One body too, and Spirit one,
We own—the Father and the Son.

From Aaron's head the holy stream
ran to his garment's lowest seam;
May we now that unction prove,
Which fills our hearts with peace and love.

91.

For the Lord's Presence

- 1 **T**HE table now is spread;
 We meet around the board
 Dear Jesus, bless the wine and bread
 And heav'nly life afford.
- 2 O may the Lord appear
 With looks divinely mild,
 And whisper in each humble ear—
 "I love thee well, my child!"

92.

The Lord's Presence sweetens

WE eat the supper of our Lord
 But Jesu's presence crowns
 And makes the sav'ry meat:
 When we by faith draw near to C
 And live on Jesu's flesh and blood,
 This feast indeed is sweet.

93.

Spiritual Feast.

Man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.
Deut. viii. 3.

He sent his word, and healed them. Pf. cvii. 20.

We look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. 2 Cor. iv. 18.

BREAD and wine we now receive,

Symbols of our dying Lord :

Sinners, who in him believe,

In their hearts receive the word.

True believers (oh what wonder !)

Live upon immortal Food :

Where's the pow'r can ever sunder

Souls united thus to God ?

'Tis the supper of the Lamb :

Sinners, come ; ye need not fear :

Saviour is the sweetest name

That can reach a sinner's ear.

Needy beggars, at this table,

Are the welcome guests of God ;

Christ can make the weakest able,

Cleanse the foulest with his blood.

94.

Spiritual Union.

I in them ; thou in me. John xvii. 23.

Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith.
iii. 17.

He that is joined to the Lord is one spirit.
vi. 16.

A CHRISTIAN'S heart is Christ's abode
A living temple of his God :
In spirit he with Christ is one ;
Christ dwells in him, and he in Christ,
For into him he is baptized :
He lives by Christ, and Christ alone.

95.

Eagles' Food.

Savour of death—or a savour of life. 2 Cor. ii.
Where the carcase is the eagles will be gathered
together. Matt. xxiv. 28.

Doth the eagle—. Job xxxix. 27—30.

I MY Jesus, crucify'd and slain,
Is loathed food, and slighted gain ;
For most men spurn the holy feast,
Or pass it heedless by at least.

But, where the Saviour gives his light,
This carcase is a pleasing sight :
He gives the soul an eagle's eye ;
This carcase draws the eagles nigh.

This banquet only suits the poor ;
And these on eagles' wings shall soar—
Shall view the Lord who suffer'd death,
And on his body feed by faith.

Upon this carcase I would feed ;
For, Lord, thy flesh is meat indeed !
I richly prize the feast divine ;
For, Lord, thy blood is choicest wine !

96.

Receiving the Cup.

IN Jesus we live ; in Jesus we rest ;
And thankful receive his dying bequest :
This cup of salvation he freely bestows ;
And from his dear passion our happiness flows

97.

The Venture of Faith.

To whom shall we go? John vi. 68.

I will go in unto the king [which is not as to the law]: if I perish, I perish. Estl

It was a true report which I heard in land: howbeit I believed not their word came, and mine eyes had seen it. 2 (5, 6.

- 1 **P**ITY a helpless sinner, Lord,
Who would believe thy gracious
But own my heart, with shame and
A sink of sin and unbelief.
- 2 Lord, in thy house I read there's room
And, vent'ring hard, behold I come:
But can there—tell me—can there be
Amongst thy children room for me?
- 3 I eat the bread, and drink the wine;
But O my soul wants more than figs
I faint unless I feed on thee,
And drink thy blood as shed for me.
- 4 For sinners, Lord, thou cam'st to ble
And I'm a sinner vile indeed:
Lord, I believe thy grace is free;
O magnify that grace in me!

98.

The Redeemed are Gainers by the Fall.

Where sin abounded, grace did much more abound.
Rom. v. 20.

*The first man is of the earth, earthy—the second man
is the Lord from heaven.* 1 Cor. xv. 47.

*I am come that they might have life, and that they
might have it more abundantly.* John x. 10.

HOW shall I bless the bleeding Lamb,
Give equal honors to his name?
Lo, God for sinners bleeds and dies!
Our Maker is the sacrifice.

His love is large, and knows no bounds;
His grace o'er all our sin abounds:
Angels above desire to see
The depths of this great mystery.

Did Adam's sin our race condemn?
Yet, where the living waters come,
Those healing streams possess a pow'r
Our lost condition to restore.

In innocence our bliss was great;
Yet Christ did more than mend our state:
His life, his wounds, his death, procure
An happiness more great, more sure.

- 5 Since Christ has this salvation wrought,
Which far surpasses ev'ry thought,
I would, in all my words and ways,
Set forth the dear Redeemer's praise.

99.

The Inquiry of Gratitude,

*I will take the cup of salvation. Pl. cxvi. 13,
Thanks be to God for his unspeakable gift. 2
ix. 15.*

*Shew forth the praises of him who hath call'd
out of darkness. 1 Pet. ii. 9.*

- 1 **F**OR mercies, countless as the sands,
Which daily I receive
From Jesus my Redeemer's hands,
My soul, what canst thou give?

- 2 Alas! from such a heart as mine
What can I bring him forth?
My best is stain'd and dy'd with sin;
My all is nothing worth.

- 3 But this acknowledgment I'll make
For all he has bestow'd:
Salvation's sacred cup I'll take,
And call upon my God.

The best returns for one like me,
 So wretched and so poor,
 Is from his gifts to draw a plea,
 And ask him still for more.

I cannot serve him as I ought;
 No works have I to boast:
 Yet would I glory in the thought,
 That I shall owe him most.

100.

The Compassion of God.

As a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him. Ps. ciii. 13.

Will a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? Yea: they may forget; yet will I: not forget thee. Isa. xlix. 15.

The heavens are higher than the earth, so are my thoughts than your thoughts. Is. lv. 9.

GREAT are the mercies of the Lord
 To them who fear his name:
 His dying love we now record,
 And praise him for the same.

A mother's heart with grief may melt
 To hear her infant moan;
 But who can tell what Jesus felt
 At ev'ry sigh and groan?

PARTICULAR OCCASIONS.

HYMN 104.

Baptism.

*I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I
straitened till it be accomplished. Luke xii. 50.*

*So many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ
were baptized into his death. Rom. vi. 4.*

*Buried with him in baptism; wherein also ye are
risen through faith. Col. ii. 12.*

1 **B**URIED in bapt'ism with our Lord,
We rise with him to life restor'd:
And not the life by Adam lost—
Of life etern a' now we boast.

2 Water can cleanse the flesh, we own;
But Christ well knows, and Christ alone,
How dear to him our cleansing flood—
Baptiz'd with fire, and bath'd in blood.

His was a baptism deep indeed,
O'er feet and body, hands and head :
He in his body purg'd our sin ;
And faith now makes the sinner clean.

We in a measure taste the cup ;
But he alone did drink it up :
To burn for us was his desire ;
And he baptizes us with fire.

This fire will not destroy, but melt ;
How soft, compar'd with what he felt !
Baptized *into Christ* by faith,
Baptiz'd we are into his death.

105.

At a Marriage,

Marriage is honourable in all, Heb. xiii. 4.

It is a great mystery ; but I speak concerning Christ and the church. Eph. iii. 32.

Unites together of the grace of life. 1 Pet. iii. 7.

OUR Jesus freely did appear
To grace a marriage-feast ;
And, Lord, we ask thy presence here,
To make a wedding-guest.

106 PARTICULAR OCCASIONS

- 2 Upon the bridal pair look down,
Who now have plighted hands
Their union with thy presence crown
And bless the nuptial bands.
- 3 With gifts of grace their hearts endow
Of all rich dowries best ;
Their substance bless, thy peace bestow
To sweeten all the rest
- 4 In purest love their souls unite,
That they, with frugal care,
May make domestic burdens light
By taking mutual share.
- 5 True helpers may they prove indeed
In pray'r, and faith, and hope ;
And see with joy a godly seed,
To build their household up !
- 6 As Isaac and Rebecca give
A pattern chaste and kind,
So may this married couple live
And die, in friendship join'd.

106.

At a Funeral.

grieve not as others who have no hope. 1 Thess.
iv. 13.

thy flesh shall rest in hope. Ps. xvi. 9.

*He that raised up Christ from the dead shall quicken
your mortal bodies by his Spirit, that dwelleth in
you.* Rom. viii. 11.

WHILE others hopeless mourn their dead,
And wail, and weep, and make a noise,
We glory in our risen Head,
And in the Saviour's love rejoice.

'Tis true, we shall no more behold
Our brother in this world of pain;
But, as the sheep of Jesu's fold,
We trust that we shall meet again.

However painful 'tis to part,
If Jesus calls his children home,
We'll bless his name with thankful heart,
And say, "Come, Jesus, quickly come!"

We know, ere long, beside thy throne
In milky robes thy saints shall stand:
Each wears a never-fading crown,
And holds a palm branch in his hand.

107.

The same.

*Blessed are the dead which die in
cease from their labours. Rev xi
Thanks be to God, who giveth us the
xv. 57.*

We shall see him as he is. 1 John i

1 **BLESSED** are the dead who
On the dear Redeemer's brea
Peaceful in his arms they lie;
Happy in their Lord they die.

2 Death, a messenger of peace,
Brings to them a sweet release;
Wash'd in Christ's atoning blood
They for ever are with God.

3 Now the storm's for ever o'er;
Now they've gain'd the blissful
Sav'd by Jesu's outstretch'd hand
They have reach'd the wish'd-for

4 More than conqu'rors through
They his victories proclaim;
Cast their crowns before the throne
Sav'd by rich free grace alone.

Loft in wonder, now they gaze
On the dear Immanuel's face:
Like him now—what glory this!
For they see him as he is.

108.

The same.

*was carried by angels into Abraham's bosom.
is day thou shalt be with me in Paradise.
w we see through a glass darkly; but then face to
face—now I know in part; but then shall I know
even as also I am known. 1 Cor. xiii. 12.*

THE faints, when they resign their breath,
Are borne above to realms of light;
When sinking in the arms of death,
They're precious then in Jesu's sight.

Precious to God are his redeem'd;
From evils here they're call'd away:
Precious their dust by him esteem'd;
He'll raise it at the latter day.

Free from this world's unnumber'd cares,
From Satan's rage and human spite,
From sin's distress and gloomy fears,
How precious now in Jesu's sight!

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310 PARTICULAR OCC

4 From all their labours now th
Their souls enjoy a perfect
Their place is now in Abrah
Their troubles now for ev

5 All this, and more, our broth
He now sees Jesus as he is
And him he praises, him he
Who makes his heav'n an

6 Whilst here below, he knew
That deep, that boundless,
The pow'r of Jesu's blood and
To purify and to redeem.

7 No more, as darkly through a
He sees his Saviour and his
But sees him clearly, face to
Who did redeem him with

109.

At the Funeral of a Child.

go to him; he shall not return to me. 2 Sam.
23.

angels always behold the face of God. Matt.
10.

judge you, every one according to his ways.
k. xviii. 30.

Neary summons Jesus sends
To call a child above;
Hear ye this, ye weeping friends,
He calls the child in love:

from this world of sin and woe,
And safe from all its harms,
From all the griefs you feel below,
Tis gone to Jesu's arms.

Unst the Lord then do not strive;
Nor vainly fast and weep:
The child, though dead, is yet alive,
And only fall'n asleep.

Jesu's tender bosom laid,
It feels no sorrow there;
By its heav'nly Father fed,
It needs a mother's care.

112 PARTICULAR OCCASIONS

- 5 The child is gone, and we must g
We all are on the road :
It is our chief concern to know
We're in the way to God.

110.

Opening a Place of Wor

Sung at opening the Meeting in Barth
Birmingham, Oct. 9, 1791

- 1 SAVIOUR, be pleas'd to meet
Now may we find and feel th
Vouchsafe, O Lord, this church
And crown thy gospel with succe
- 2 Oft as thy people here may meet,
To worship at thy cross's feet,
Upon their souls fresh mercies po
Help them to pray, praise, and ad
- 3 Here, Lord, thine holy arm revea
And may the stubborn sinner feel
That he, who first did wound his
Can health, and peace, and joy in
- 4 O, thou dear Shepherd of the shee
Hast thou not here a flock to kee
Teach them the Shepherd's voice
Lead them where living waters flo

PARTICULAR OCCASIONS. 113

As all thy sheep are one in thee,
Keep them in peace and unity :
Oh give them all one heart and mind !
Make them affectionate and kind !

And may our conversation prove
The sweet constraining force of love !
May grace restrain corruption's pow'r,
Till sin and sorrow be no more !

III.

Recommending a Minister

'I these worketh that one and the self-same Spirit.
1 Cor. xii. 11.

*he Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and
Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.*
Acts xiii. 2.

*turely gathering that the Lord had called us to
preach the gospel unto them.* Acts xvi. 10.

HAPPY soul, who hears and follows
Jesus speaking in his word !
Paul, and Cephas, and Apollos,
All are his in Christ the Lord.
Ev'ry state, howe'er distressing,
Shall be profit in the end ;
Ev'ry ordinance a blessing ;
Ev'ry providence a friend.

114 PARTICULAR OCCASIONS.

- 2 Christian, dost thou want a teacher;
Helper, counsellor, and guide?
Wouldst thou find a proper preacher?
Ask thy God, and he'll provide.
Build on no man's parts or merit;
But observe the gospel plan:
Jesus sends his Holy Spirit,
And the Spirit sends the man.
- 3 Bless, dear Lord, each lab'ring servant;
Bless the work they undertake;
Make them able, faithful, fervent;
Bless them for thy church's sake.
All things for our good are given;
Comforts, crosses, staffs, or rods:
All is ours in earth and heaven;
We are Christ's, and Christ is God's.

I I 2.

Parting with a Minister for a Time

- 1 **S**INCE for a time we're call'd to part
From our beloved friend,
We take our leave as one in heart,
And him to God commend.
- 2 Go now, dear shepherd: may the Lord
Be with thee ev'ry where;
Support thy heart, and bless thy word,
And lighten ev'ry care!

So—if we never see thee more,
Till we shall meet above,
We'll bless the Lord for evermore,
And sing his dying love.

To spread abroad the Saviour's fame,
That others, too, may know
What joy and peace, through Jesu's name,
The saints enjoy below.

The scatter'd sheep, though yet unknown,
Must Jesu's gospel hear:
Therefore go forth; may Jesus own
Thy labours far and near!

We for thy prosp'rous journey pray;
Nor may our prayers cease,
That God would bless thee in thy way,
And bring thee back in peace.

Since our dear shepherd's call'd away,
We bid him now farewell:
Our Lord's commands we would obey,
And therefore say, "Farewell."

113.

A Fast Day.

GENERAL RESIGNATION.

*I exhort that supplications be made for kings,
all that are in authority. 1 Tim. ii. 1.*

*Shall there be evil in the city, and the Lord have
done it? Amos iii. 6.*

*The Lord reigneth; let the people tremble: he
between the cherubims; let the earth be in
Ps. xcix. 1.*

1 **L**ORD, we are now assembled here,
And in thy presence stand,
To offer up united pray'r
For this our native land.

2 By thee all creatures move and live;
By thee our pray'rs succeed:
The spirit of supplication give,
And we shall pray indeed.

3 From evils near deliv'rance bring;
Guide those that hold the helm;
Support the state; preserve the king;
And spare the guilty realm.

4 Or, should the dread decree be past,
And we must feel the rod ;
May we continue to the last
To love and fear our God !

5 Whatever be our destin'd case,
Accepted in the Son,
May we adore thy sov'reign grace,
And say, " God's will be done !"

III 4.

A Day of public Thanksgiving for
His Majesty's Recovery,
April 23, 1789.

1 **T**HIS day, O Lord, thy servants meet,
And fall before thy mercy-seat ;
Tribute of thanks and praise we bring
For health restor'd to George our King.

2 We bless thy overruling hand,
Which still protects our native land ;
And, as a nation, we must own
Great things for us the Lord has done.

3 The gospel word from place to place
Proclaims the sound of sov'reign grace ;
And thousands, in this gospel day,
The call of Zion's King obey.

118 PARTICULAR OCCAS

- 4 Whatever course things seem to
'Tis all, we know, for Zion's sake
Thou hast declar'd thy lov'reign
To set thy King on Zion's hill.
- 5 In common bounties all may share
Yet Israel is thy special care:
Preserv'd in Christ; the chosen seed
In him shall find a friend indeed.
- 6 In heav'n thou hast prepar'd thy
And earth does thy dominion own
Angels thy potent word obey;
And earthly kings confess thy sway

DISMISSION.

HYMN 115.

- 1 **L**ORD, dismiss us with thy blessing!
Fill our hearts with joy and peace!
Let us now, thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
- 2 Thanks we give, and adoration,
For the gospel's joyful sound:
May the fruits of thy salvation
In our hearts and lives abound!

116.

- 1 **O**NCE more, before we part,
We'll bless the Saviour's name;
Record his mercies, ev'ry heart;
Sing, ev'ry tongue, the same.
- 2 Hoard up his sacred word;
And feed thereon, and grow:
Go on to seek to know the Lord;
And practise what you know.

117.

- 1 **L**ORD, help us on thy word to feed;
In peace dismiss us hence:
Be thou, in ev'ry time of need,
Our refuge and defence.

- 2 We now desire to bless thy name;
 And in our hearts record,
 And with our thankful tongues procla
 The goodness of the Lord.

118.

GUARDIAN of thy helpless sheep,
 JESUS, almighty Lord,
 Help our heedless hearts to keep
 The treasure of thy word.
 Let not Satan steal what's sown;
 Bid it bear precious fruit:
 Thou canst soften hearts of stone,
 And make thy word take root.

119.

FATHER, ere we hence depart,
 Send thy good Spirit down,
 To reside in ev'ry heart,
 And bless the seed that's sown.
 Fountain of eternal love,
 Thou freely gav'st thy Son to die:
 Send thy Spirit from above
 To quicken and apply.

DOXOLOGIES.

120.

WHAT shall I do my Saviour to praise?
 So faithful and true; so plenteous in grace;
 Long to deliver; so good to redeem
 Weakest believer who hangs upon him!

Happy the man whose heart is set free!
 People who can be joyful in thee,
 Whose joy is to walk in the light of thy face;
 Still they are talking of Jesus's grace.

Whose daily delight will be in thy name;
 Whom shall, as their right, thy righteousness claim:
 Righteousness wearing, and cleans'd by thy
 blood,
 Shall they appear in the presence of God.

121.

COME, let us join our cheerful songs
 With angels round the throne:
 Thousand thousands are their tongues;
 But all their joys are one.

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- 2 Worthy the Lamb that dy'd, they cry,
To be exalted thus !
Worthy the Lamb, our hearts reply,
For he was slain for us !
- 3 Jesus is worthy to receive
Honour and pow'r divine :
And blessings, more than we can give,
Be, Lord, for ever thine.
- 4 The saints and angels join in one,
To bless the sacred name
Of him who sits upon the throne,
And to adore the Lamb.

122.

- 1 NOW to the pow'r of God supreme
Be everlasting honours giv'n !
He saves from hell ; we bless his name ;
He calls lost wand'ring souls to heav'n.
- 2 Not for our duties, nor deserts,
But of his own abounding grace,
He brings salvation to our hearts,
And thereby forms us for his praise,
- 3 'Twas his own purpose that began
To rescue rebels doom'd to die :
He gave us grace in Christ his Son
Before he form'd the starry sky.

the Lord, appears at last
to make the Father's counsels known;
shows the great transaction's past,
and brings immortal blessings down.

123.

THOU dear Redeemer, dying Lamb,

We love to hear of thee:
Thy music like thy lovely name
does sound so sweet to me:
May we ever hear thy voice
thy mercy to us speak!
Thy name in our Priest will we rejoice,
Thou great Melchisedec!

Jesus shall be still our theme,
While in this world we stay;
We'll sing our Jesu's lovely name
When all things else decay:
When we appear in yonder cloud,
With all his favour'd throng,
Then will we sing more sweet, more loud,
And Jesus be our song.

I 24.

- 1 **T**O him who sits upon the throne
 We lift our heart, we lift our voice:
 For Christ, the Lord, is God alone,
 And in his love will we rejoice.
- 2 His sov'reign pow'r, without our aid,
 Form'd us of clay, and made us men;
 And when, like wand'ring sheep, we stray'd,
 He brought us to his fold again.
- 3 We'll crowd thy gates with thankful songs,
 High as the heav'ns our voices raise;
 And, join'd with thousand thousand tongues,
 We'll fill thy courts with sounding praise.
- 4 Wide as the world is thy command;
 Vast as eternity thy love;
 Firm as a rock thy truth must stand,
 When rolling years shall cease to move.

I 25.

- 1 **H**OW glorious the Lamb is seen on his throne
 His labours are o'er; his battles are won
 A kingdom is given into the Lamb's hands;
 His kingdom in heaven eternally stands.

Ye sinners below, then, trust in the Lord;
 Look up to his arm, his honour, and word;
 Athirst for his favour, his Godhead adore;
 Look up to your Saviour, and joy evermore.

126.

PRAISE ye the Lord: the Lord is good;
 To praise his name is sweet employ:
 Israel he chose of old; and still
 His church is his peculiar joy.

Bless ye the Lord, who taste his love;
 Exalt the dear Redeemer's name:
 In all the saints his Spirit dwells;
 His church is his Jerusalem.

127.

PRAISE the Lord, who reigns above,
 And keeps his courts below;
 Praise the mighty God of love,
 And all his greatness shew;
 Praise him for his noble deeds;
 Praise him for his matchless pow'r:
 Him, from whom all good proceeds,
 Let earth and heav'n adore.

I 28.

- 1 **SALVATION!** O the joyful sound!
 What pleasure to our ear!
 A sov'reign balm for ev'ry wound!
 A cordial for our fear!
 Blessing, honour, &c.

- 2 Salvation, O thou bleeding Lamb!
 To thee the praise belongs:
 Salvation shall inspire our hearts,
 And dwell upon our tongues,
 Blessing, honour, &c.

I 29.

- 1 **SALVATION** to God, who sits on the throne,
 Let all cry aloud; and honour the Son
 Our Jesus's praises the angels proclaim;
 Fall down on their faces, and worship the Lamb.
- 2 Then let us adore, and give him his right,
 All glory and pow'r, and wisdom, and might
 All honour and blessing with angels above
 And thanks never ceasing for infinite love

I 30.

VATION's of God, th' effect of free grace,
 on us bestow'd before the world was:
 om everlasting he blest—and again—
 everlasting—Amen and amen.

I 31.

ESSINGS for ever on the Lamb,
 Who bore the curse for wretched man:
 angels sound his sacred name,
 ev'ry creature say—Amen.

ORIA PATRI, ET FILIO, ET
 SPIRITUI SANCTO.

I 32.

EST be the Father for his love:
 To this celestial source we owe
 rs of endless joy above,
 nd rills of comfort here below.
 t be the Son, in whom we have
 edemption through his precious blood:
 died our guilty souls to save,
 nd bring us back in peace to God:

- 3 We to the Holy Ghost give praise,
 Who, in our hearts of sin and woe,
 Makes living streams of grace arise,
 And into boundless glory flow.
- 4 Thus God the Father, God the Son,
 And God the Spirit, we adore—
 That sea of life and love unknown,
 Without a bottom or a shore.

I 33.

- 1 **W**E give immortal praise
 To God the Father's love,
 For all our comforts here,
 And better hopes above:
 He sent his own beloved Son
 To die for sins that we had done.
- 2 To God the Son belongs
 Immortal glory too,
 Who bought us with his blood
 From everlasting woe:
 In glory now supreme he reigns,
 And sees the fruit of all his pains.
- 3 To God the Spirit's name
 Immortal praises give,
 Whose grace and quick'ning pow'r
 Make a dead sinner live:

'Tis he completes the great design,
And makes the great salvation mine.

Almighty God, to thee
Be endless honours done—
The great mysterious Three,
Yet undivided One.
Where reason fails, with all her pow'rs,
There faith prevails, and love adores.

I 34.

BE this our song—be this our boast—
A truth by nature never learn'd—
That Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
To save our souls are all concern'd.

The Father's love in this we find—
He made his Son a sacrifice:
The Son, in love, his life resign'd;
The Spirit of love his blood applies.

Glory to God the Father be,
Because he sent the Son to die;
Glory to God the Son, that he
Did with such willingness comply.

Glory to God the Holy Ghost,
Who to our hearts this love reveals:
Thus God Three-one to sinners lost
Salvation sends, procures, and seals.

135.

Jehovah, our Elohim, is but one Jehovah. Deut. vi. 4

Sanctified by God the Father. Jude i.

Sanctified in Christ Jesus. I Cor. i. 2.

Sanctified by the Spirit. I Cor. vi. 11.

1 **T**HE Father we bless,
 Whose distinguishing grace
 Has chosen a people to shew forth his praise:
 To us it is known,
 We are fav'd alone
 Because we for ever were lov'd in the Son.

2 Our praises ascend
 To Jesus, our friend,
 Who sayes to the utmost, and loves to the end
 Our ransom he paid;
 And, in him array'd,
 We attain to the glory for which we were made.

3 O Spirit divine!
 To restore us is thine;
 And, by thee renew'd, we in glory shall shine
 For this is thy part,
 To convince and convert,
 And give a new life, and create a new heart.

4 Father, Spirit, and Son,
 Agree thus in one;
 To these we ascribe our salvation alone.
 The great mystery,
 In which we agree,
 Is "To worship One God, in covenant three."

I 36.

TO Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
 One God, whom all the heav'nly host,
 And saints on earth, adore;
 To him shall endless praise be giv'n,
 Who reigns alone in earth and heav'n,
 Both now and evermore.

I 37.

THE Father sent the Son to die;
 The willing Son obey'd;
 The Holy Ghost doth ratify
 The purchase Christ has made,

I 38.

GIVE glory to God, ye children of men;
 And publish abroad, again and again,
 The Son's full redemption, the Father's free grace,
 The gifts of the Spirit, to Adam's lost race.

I 39.

PRAISE God, from whom all blessing
 Praise him, all creatures here below
 Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

I 40.

*The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the
 God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost
 you all. 2 Cor. xiii. 14.*

I and my Father are one. John x. 30.

*I in them, and thou in me, that they may
 perfect in one. John xvii. 23.*

1 **M**AY the grace of Christ our Saviour
 May the Father's boundless love
 May the Holy Spirit's favour,
 Rest upon us from above!

2 May we see the blessed union
 'Twixt the Father and the Son!
 May the Spirit's sweet communion
 Make us perfect all in one!

PART II.

FALL AND RECOVERY.

HYMN 141.

First and second Adam.

*W*here art thou? Gen. iii. 9.

Man undone. If. vi. 5.

Jesus Christ maketh thee whole. Acts ix. 34.

WHEN Adam by transgression fell,
Guilt made him shun his Maker's face:
The law condemn'd his soul to hell;
And in him, too, his future race.
The seeds of evil, once brought in,
Increas'd, and fill'd the world with sin.

But, lo! the second Adam came,
Ordain'd the serpent's head to bruise:
To God he pays the law's just claim,
And disappoints the devil's views:

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He ransoms pris'ners with his blood
And brings lost sinners back to God

- 3 This faithful saying let us own.
(Well worthy 'tis to be believed
That Christ into the world came
That sinners might by him be saved
Sinners are high in his esteem,
And *sinners* highly value him.

- 4 A *sinner* is a sacred thing;
The Holy Ghost has made him king
Though all are sinners in God's sight
There are but few their state
They're only sinners who repent
To such as these the Lord was sent

I 42.

Spiritual Regeneration

*Except a man be born of the Spirit,
into the kingdom of God. John iii.
Washing of regeneration, and renew
Ghost. Tit. iii. 5.*

*You hath he quickened, who were dead
and sins.*

- 1 **H**OW helpless guilty nature lies
Unconscious of her load!
The heart unchang'd can never
To happiness and God.

He will perverse, the passions blind,
In paths of ruin stray ;
Whom debas'd can never find
The safe, the *narrow* way.

He brought beneath a pow'r divine
The stubborn will subdue?
Thine, eternal Spirit, thine—
To form the heart a-new.

Thine—the passions to recall,
And upward bid them rise—
Make the clouds of error fall
From our benighted eyes—

Chase the shades of death away,
And bid a sinner live—
Beam of heav'n—a vital ray—
Tis thine, 'tis thine, to give.

I 43.

God's Glory displayed in saving Sinners

*Having predestinated us unto the adoption of child
by Jesus Christ to himself—to the praise of
glory of his grace. Eph. i. 6.*

*That he might make known the riches of his glory
the vessels of mercy. Rom. ix. 23.*

Glory to God in the highest. Luke ii. 14.

1 **I** NQUIRING minds, when they begin
Redemption's work to trace,
May ask " Why God permitted sin?
(Answer) " To magnify his grace.

2 Had man for evermore remain'd
In spotless innocence,
Then grace no glory could have gain'd
In pard'ning man's offence.

3 It shew'd God's wisdom, pow'r, and love,
To raise a fallen race;
And those, who this redemption prove,
Will sing restoring grace.

4 Shall we, that grace may more abound,
Continue still in sin?
No, Lord; for, in thy likeness found,
We cannot live therein.

Myſterious grace ! that, though I feel
Corruptions ſtill remain,
The blood of Chriſt has pow'r to heal,
And waſh away the ſtain.

144.

The Law magnified.

In the day that thou eateſt thereof thou ſhalt ſurely die. Gen. ii. 17.

The life, which is the blood. Gen. ix. 4.

Without ſhedding of blood there is no remiſſion of ſins. Heb. ix. 22.

1 **W**HEN God created man at firſt
He gave to him a law,
By which tranſgreſſors are accuſt
For ev'ry ſinful flaw.

2 “ Do this, and live ; tranſgreſs, and die ; ”
Is all the law can ſay :
To ſinners it muſt ever cry—
“ The debt thou oweſt, pay.”

3 'Tis not repentance, pray'rs, nor tears,
Nor wiſhing to be good,
Can e'er diſcharge the vaſt arrears ;
For juſtice calls for blood.

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- 4 Thro' that rich *blood*, which from the wou
Of Jesu's body ran,
Free grace and mercy now abounds
To wretched fallen man.
- 5 This precious blood the debt has paid;
This ends the legal strife:
Believing this we're happy made,
And pass from death to life.

I 45.

The Door of Hope.

But one thing thou lackest. Mark x. 21.
One thing is needful. Luke x. 42.
Ye must be born again. John iii. 7.

- 1 **W**HERE must a sinner fly,
Who feels his guilty load,
And stands condemn'd to die
By the strict law of God?
Can any door of hope be found?
There's surely none on nature's ground!
- 2 What if he mend his life,
And pour out floods of tears,
And pray with fervent strife?—
These pay no past arrears:
The law, with unrelenting breath,
Declares the wage of sin is death.

But oh ! good news of grace
 To sinners lost and poor,
 Who seek the Saviour's face,
 And knock at mercy's door:
 To them the Lord that grace imparts
 Which never fails to cleanse their hearts,

All hail ! we bless the Lord,
 Who bought us with his blood ;
 His grace and mercy we record,
 Who brought us home to God :
 On earth we sing his bleeding love,
 And long to reign with him above,

146.

Mercy is for the Miserable.

he whole need not a physician. Matt. ix. 12.

in the afflicted pity should be shewed. Job vi. 14.

*ill me which will love most—He to whom he for-
 gave most. Luke vii. 42, 43.*

MERCY is welcome news indeed
 To those who guilty stand :
 Wretches who feel what help they need
 Will bless the helping hand.

Who rightly would his alms dispose
 Must give them to the poor :
 None but the wounded patient knows
 The blessings of a cure.

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- 3 We all have sinn'd against our God;
Exception none can boast;
But he who feels the heaviest load
Will prize deliv'rance most.
- 4 But, let our debts be what they may,
However great or small,
As soon as we have nought to pay,
The Lord forgives us all.

147.

Supply for all our Needs.

*What wilt thou that I shall do unto thee? Matt.
x 51.*

*Is any thing too hard for the Lord? Gen. xiii. 18.
He filled the hungry with good things. Luke i. 52.*

- 1 IF sinners come with all their needs,
For sinners Jesus intercedes:
Come, say what are your deep complaints;
Freely lay open all your wants.
- 2 Do you take thought for clothes or food,
Or any other temp'ral good?
From those who seek him, we are told,
The Lord will no good thing withhold.

Do you want pardon for your sin?
 The blood of Christ can make you clean:
 O those who in the Son believe
 Shall will both grace and glory give.

Are you bewilder'd in your mind,
 Seeking the truth, but cannot find?
 The Spirit must that truth display,
 Who leads the blind by a right way.

Do your convictions still increase?
 And best knows when to give you peace;
 And will he bring unto the birth,
 And not give strength to issue forth?

Do you find your wound incurable
 By all the efforts of your will;
 But, when his blood the Lord applies,
 That cures the worst of maladies.

Are you backslidden from the Lord?
 Your misconduct known abroad?
 God's faithfulness must still remain:
 He'll bring his wand'ers back again.

Are you with sore temptations prest?
 At Christ, a merciful High Priest,
 All points tempted like as we,
 And with the tend'rest sympathy.

148.

Jesus wept.

*Jesus wept.—See how he loved him! John ii.
We have not an High Priest who cannot be touched
with the feeling of our infirmities. Heb. iv.
I do set up my bow in the cloud; and it shall be
a token of a covenant. Gen. ix. 13.*

- 1 **T**HE heart of Jesus glows
With love divinely free;
And Jesus only knows
What love he bears to me:
Yet feelingly I sometimes sing
The praises of my God and King.
- 2 He wept—such was the spoil
Which sin and satan made!
He wept—but with a smile
Afforded man his aid.
He wept—but ah! what wond'rous glory
Did then appear in Jesu's face!
- 3 Poor drooping soul, attend!
He all thy burdens bears:
Behold this weeping friend,
Who weeps and wipes thy tears:
A weeping Saviour well suits thee;
And weeping souls he loves to see.



I 49.

Good Physician.

Forgers of lies—ye are all physicians of no value.
Job. xiii. 4.

He bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine.
Luke x. 34.

He healed them that had need of healing. Luke
ix. 11.

- 1 **D**EEP are the wounds which sin hath made :
Where can the sinner find a cure ?
Nature in vain exerts her aid ;
The wounds exceed all nature's pow'r.
- 2 And can no sov'reign balm be found ?
And is there no physician nigh
To ease the pain, and heal the wound,
Ere life and hope for ever die ?
- 3 There is a great Physician near,
Whose med'cines never fail to cure :
Apply to him ; you need not fear ;
He gives them freely to the poor,
- 4 Alone from Jesu's precious blood
Life, health, and peace, abundant flow :
No balm but this dear sacred flood
Can heal thy wounds and ease thy woe.

150.

Balm of Gilead.

Is there no balm in Gilead? Jer. iii. :

*The leaves of the tree were for the heal-
tions. Rev. xxii. 2.*

With his stripes we are healed. Is. liii

- 1 **S**AY, is there none who has the
To heal my wounded guilty h
To chafe my doubts and fears awa
And turn my darkness into day?
- 2 I sink beneath this load of grief:
Is there no hand can give relief?
Whither—oh whither shall I turn
God's wrath against me seems to l
- 3 Gilead's physician, and its balm,
Thy wounds can heal, thy sorrow
All things to us in Christ are giv'
Pardon, and holiness, and heav'n.
- 4 On one that's mighty help is laid,
And he our sure defence is made;
Reveals the Father's gracious will
And bids the troubled heart be sti

151.

Brazen Serpent.

As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness
(Num. xxi. 9), *even so must the Son of man be*
lifted up. John iii. 14.

In the likeness of sinful flesh. Rom. viii. 3.

Look unto me. Is. xlv. 22.

1 **W**ITH fiery serpents greatly pain'd,
When Israel's mourning tribes complain'd,
And sigh'd to be reliev'd,
Moses of brass a serpent made,
And on a pole he this display'd:
The patient look'd, and liv'd.

2 But faith in Jesus does impart
Salvation to a sinner's heart;—
This is a greater cure.
Jesus lift up before our eyes!
The soul is struck with glad surprise,
And sees salvation sure.

3 A strange device! may some object;
But those who felt the good effect
Its healing virtue knew:
The gospel, too, though some oppose,
Yet he, who this salvation knows,
Has prov'd the record true.

LAW AND GOSPEL.

HYMN 152.

The Curse and the Blessing.

Curfed is he who continueth not in all thing
iii. 10.

Full of grace and truth. John i. 14.

In her [i. e. wisdom's] tongue is the law of
Prov. xxxi. 26.

THE law from Sinai's hill
In claps of thunder came,
Denouncing vengeance, death, and I
On all who break the same :
Christ, on a mountain top,
Was full of truth, and grace ;
And from his lips the words did drop
Of life, and love, and peace.

153.

The same.

*The law was added because of transgressions. Gal.
iii. 19.*

By the law is the knowledge of sin. Rom. iii. 20.

*Who brought life and immortality to light through
the gospel. 1 Tim. ii. 10.*

- 1 **T**HE law commands, and makes us know
What debt immense to God we owe :
But in the gospel we may see
How God does set the debtor free.
- 2 The law discovers guilt and sin ;
And makes me know what I have been :
Only the gospel can express
God's love, and truth, and righteousness.
- 3 What curses does the law pronounce
Against the man who sins but once :
But in the gospel Christ appears
Pard'ning the guilt of num'rous years.
- 4 My soul, no more attempt to draw
Thy life or comfort from the law :
All joy and peace the gospel gives :
Happy the sinner who believes !

I 54.

The same.

See Heb. xii.

- 1 **J**EHOVAH once to Israel spoke
From Sinai's top in fire and smoke:
He speaks in love from Zion now,
And wears no terrors on his brow.
- 2 When Sinai's thund'ring law was heard,
Moses himself then quak'd and fear'd:
But now the voice of Jesu's blood
Invites poor wand'ring souls to God.
- 3 The gospel now, with accents mild,
Speaks to the sinner as a child;
Proclaims a reconciling God,
And points the soul to Jesu's blood.
- 4 The voice of mercy sweetly sounds
From the Redeemer's bleeding wounds:
By these the Lord was pleas'd to prove
How firm his covenant and love.

I 55.

The Law is weak.

That the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God, sending his own Son, for sin condemned sin in the flesh. Rom. viii. 3.

The law, having a shadow, and not the very image, can never make the comers perfect. Heb. x. 1.

'TIS not the law of ten commands
On holy Sinai giv'n,
And sent to men by Moses' hands,
Can bring a soul to heav'n :

'Tis not the blood that Aaron spilt,
Nor smoke of sweetest smell,
That can remove a sinner's guilt,
Or save his soul from hell.

Aaron, the priest, resigns his breath
At God's immediate will ;
And in the desert yields to death
On the appointed hill.

And thus, on Jordan's vonder side,
The tribes of Israel stand,
While Moses bow'd his head, and died,
Short of the promis'd land.

- 5 Israel, rejoice ! for Joshua * leads;
 He'll bring the tribes to rest :
 So far the Saviour's name exceeds
 The ruler and the priest.

* i. e. Jesus. Heb. iv. 8.

I 56.

The Law reveals Wrath.

By the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified. Rom. iii. 8.

As many as are of the works of the law are under the curse. Gal. iii. 10.

Whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all. James ii. 10.

- 1 **H**OW can ye hope, deluded souls,
 To see what none e'er saw—
 Salvation by the works obtain'd
 Of Sinai's fiery law ?
- 2 That law but makes your guilt abound :
 Sad help ! and (what is worst)
 All souls that under it are found,
 By God himself are curst.
- 3 This curse pertains to those who break
 One precept, e'er so small:
 And where's the man, in thought or deed,
 That has not broken all ?

Only by faith in Jesu's wounds
 The sinner finds release ;
 No other sacrifice for sin
 Will God accept but this.

FAITH AND WORKS.

HYMN 157.

Not by Works of Righteousness.

not by works of righteousness which we have done.
 Tit. iii. 5.

*by grace, then it is no more of works—if of
 works, then it is no more grace. Rom. xi. 6.*
rifing their hearts by faith. Acts xv. 9.

NOT one of Adam's race,
 However just or good,
 Shall, by his works of righteousness,
 Be justified with God:
 The works which we have done
 Are all of them unclean ;
 But we are sav'd by faith alone,
 And thereby cleans'd from sin.

158.

Lost Labour.

Ye have sown much, and bring in little.—He that earneth wages puts it into a bag with holes. Hb. i. 6.

The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them. Eccl. x. 15.

I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour. John iv. 38.

1 **A**BUNDANCE of good folks, I find,
Are gath'ring goodness, for the wind
To scatter it about:
They seek, with human care and skill,
Their vessels with good wine to fill;
But all the wine leaks out.

2 A fretful soul his fault may spy,
And struggle much, and often try
Some patience to obtain;
Yet, after many toilsome years,
And many sighs, and many tears,
He has not got a grain.

He that with Jesus gathers not,
May plow, and sow, and weed his plot;
But scatters all his corn:
No fleshly goodness long can stand,
Which planted is by human hand:
It dies as soon as born.

In Christ my treasure gather'd is;
My wisdom, wealth, and might, are his;
My peace 'at his command:
With him is free and plenteous store;
And faith may have enough, and more,
When gather'd from his hand.

I 59.

A Change necessary.

*The corrupt tree cannot bring forth good fruit. Matt.
vii. 18.*

*He saw a fig-tree in the way—he came up to it,
and found nothing thereon, but leaves only. Matt.
xxi. 19.*

If the root be holy, so are the branches. Rom. ii. 6.

THE moral duties I have done
Will never bring one blessing down:
These cannot put away my sin;
For I must be renew'd within.

- 2 No ordinance, nor outward form
Can e'er support me in a storm :
My pray'rs, my fasts, my alms, n
Will never drive away my fears.
- 3 An inward change there must be
Or all I do will stand for nought
For my profession is but vain,
Unless that I am born again.
- 4 It is the Lord who must impart
A holy, pure, and upright heart :
Lord, give us then to feel and see
We are renew'd and born of thee
- 5 Though in ourselves we are uncle
No spot nor stain in Christ is seen
And, as he is, e'en so are we,
As branches in the living Tree.

160.

Faith the Work of God.

BLESSINGS RECEIVED BY FAITH.

*Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace;
to the end the promise might be sure. Rom.
i. 16.*

*no man can come to me, except the Father, who hath
sent me, draw him. John vi. 44.*

*It is the work of God—that ye believe. John
i. 29.*

THE blessing is of faith,
To shew it is by grace :
'Tis therefore sure, the scripture saith,
To all the chosen race.
It is the work of God
To draw us to the Son ;
The Spirit points to Jesu's blood,
And says the work is done.

161.

The same.

Faith the operation of God. Col. ii. 12.

It is the gift of God. Eph. ii. 8.

Fulfil the work of faith with power. 2 Theff.

1 **F**AITH! 'tis a precious gift,
Where'er it is bestow'd;
It boasts of a celestial birth,
And is the work of God:

2 To Christ it leads the soul
When fill'd with deep distress;
To the blest fountain of his blood—
His perfect righteousness.

3 Lord, 'tis thy work alone,
And that divinely free!
O may the Spirit of the Son
Fulfil that work in me!

JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH.

HYMN 162.

Sense of Justification.

law worketh wrath. Rom. iv. 15.

might serve him, without fear, in holiness and righteousness. Luke i. 75.

perfect love casteth out fear; because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love. 1 John iv. 18.

WHEN first I stood convinc'd of sin,
I strongly strove myself to clean:
The law did but inflame the wound;
No rest nor comfort there I found.

Upon the brink of hell I lay
Till Christ disclos'd a better way;
And in his blood and righteousness
My soul has felt a solid peace.

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- 2 Doubts and fears, which fill'd my breast,
Banish'd peace, and joy, and rest,
Till the voice which calm'd the sea
Gently whisper'd, "Come to me:"
Life was given with the word;
Then I look'd, and saw my Lord
Stretch'd and nail'd unto a tree—
Suff'ring thus to ransom me!
- 3 From his hands, and feet, and side,
I beheld a crimson tide
Gushing plenteous down the tree
To which he was nail'd for me:
Now to me the Spirit cried—
"Thou art freely justified:"
'Twas this view of dying love
Did my load of guilt remove.
- 4 Since I'm set from bondage free,
Help me, Lord, to follow thee!
Prompted by obedient love,
In thy ways I long to move:
Never let me turn aside,
But be thou my guard and guide:
Let me, faithful unto death,
Praise thee with my latest breath.

164.

The Evidence.

*The fellowship of his sufferings. Phil. iii. 10.
 Hereby perceive we the love of God. 1 John iii. 1
 The Spirit of Christ, which was in them, testified
 the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should
 follow. 1 Pet. i. 11.*

- 1 **W**HEN I by faith the bloody sweat
 Of my dear Saviour see,
 And can behold the suff'ring state
 Of him who died for me :
- 2 When that great God whom I adore
 In agonies I view,
 It is enough—I ask no more,
 But feel the record true.
- 3 Then, ravish'd with the rich belief
 That all my sins were his,
 I'm lost in wonder, sink with grief,
 And melt beneath the bliss.
- 4 My sins were his—upon him laid—
 He all the weight sustain'd :
 My debt—how vast ! which yet he paid,
 And my deliv'rance gain'd.

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If my sins only were so great,
Ah, what must be the load,
When all his people's sins did meet
Upon my Saviour God!

165.

A broken Heart.

*They shall look upon me, whom they have pierced—
and mourn. Zech. xii. 10.*

*be sacrifices of God are a broken spirit. Ps. li. 17
'e will give them a heart of flesh. Ez. xi. 19.*

NOTHING but thy blood, O Jesus,
Can relieve us from our smart ;
Nothing else from guilt release us ;
Nothing else can melt the heart :
Law and terrors do but harden,
All the while they work alone ;
But a sense of blood-bought pardon
Soon dissolves a heart of stone.

Jesus, all our consolations
Flow from thee, the sov'reign good !
Love, and faith, and hope, and patience,
Come to us through thy rich blood :
From thy fulness we receive them ;
We have nothing of our own :
Freely thou delight'st to give them
To the needy, who have none.

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- 3 Teach us by thy patient Spirit
How to mourn, and not despair ;
Let us, leaning on thy merit,
Wrestle hard with God in pray'r :
Whatsoe'er afflictions seize us,
They shall profit, if not please :
But defend—defend us, Jesus,
From security and ease !

I 66.

The Fountain for sin.

A fountain opened for sin, and for uncleanness.
Zech. xiii. 1.

Wash and be clean. 2 Kings v. 13.

*The blood of Jesus Christ, his Son, cleanseth us
all sin.* 1 John i. 7.

- 1 **T**HERE is a fountain fill'd with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins ;
And sinners, plung'd beneath that flood,
Lose all their guilty stains.
- 2 The dying thief rejoic'd to see
That fountain in his day ;
And there have I, as vile as he,
Wash'd all my sins away.

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Dear dying Lamb ! thy precious blood
Will never lose its pow'r,
Till all the ransom'd church of God
Be sav'd, to sin no more.

'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme,
And shall be till I die.

Then, in a nobler, sweeter song,
I'll sing thy pow'r to save ;
When this poor lisping, stamm'ring tongue
Lies silent in the grave.

I 67.

Garments for Glory and Beauty.

*him who hath loved us, and washed us from our
sins in his own blood. Rev. i. 5.*

washed from all things. Acts xiii. 39.

*Thy glory shall be the same ; thy years shall have no end.
Isa. cii. 27.*

ESU, thy blood and righteousness
My beauty are—my glorious dress !
Midst flaming worlds, when thus array'd,
With joy shall I lift up my head.

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- 2 When from the dust of earth I rise,
To claim my mansion in the skies,
E'en then shall this be all my plea—
“ Jesus hath liv'd, hath died for me !”
- 3 Bold shall I stand in that great day ;
For who aught to my charge shall lay ?
Fully, through thee, absolv'd I am
From sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
- 4 Thus Abraham, the friend of God,
Thus all the armies, bought with blood,
Saviour of sinners, thee proclaim—
Sinners, of whom the chief I am.
- 5 This spotless robe the same appears
When ruin'd nature sinks in years :
No age can change its glorious hue ;
'Tis everlasting, ever new.

168.

Imputed Righteousness rejected.

about to establish their own righteousness.

om. x. 3.

of me white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed.

v. iii. 18.

sought it (viz. righteousness) not by faith, but it were by the works of the law. Rom. ix. 32,

IMPUTED righteousness is strange,
Nor will with human fancies range;
We guess the lurking motive well,
And Paul the hateful truth shall tell.

The lofty heart cannot submit
To cast itself at Jesu's feet;
He longs in another's robes to shine,
To wear a righteousness divine.

And nature cries, with loathing eyes,
This imputation I despise;
And from it man will pertly start,
All grace has broken down his heart.

Give me, Lord, thy righteousness,
To be my peace, and wedding-dress!
Thy sores it heals, my rags it hides,
And makes me dutiful besides.

169.

Joseph and his Brethren.

*Deliver him from going down to the pit, for
found a ransom. Job xxxiii. 24.*

*This woman was taken in adultery—Moj
law commanded that such should be stoned
sayest thou? &c. &c. John viii. 4.*

*With the Lord there is mercy and plenteous
tion. Pf. cxxx. 7.*

1 **W**HEN Joseph his brethren beheld
Afflicted, and trembling with
His heart with compassion was fill'd;
From weeping he could not forbear
I am Joseph, your brother, he said,
And still to my heart ye are dear;
You sold me, and thought I was dead:
But God for your sakes sent me here

2 Thus dragg'd by my conscience, I came
All laden with guilt, to the Lord;
Surrounded with terror and shame,
Unable to utter a word:
But oh what surprise when he spoke,
While tenderness beam'd in his face
My heart then to pieces was broke,
O'erwhelm'd and confounded with

Poor sinner, I know thee full well ;
 By thee I was sold, and was slain :
 But I died to redeem thee from hell,
 And raise thee in glory to reign :
 I am Jesus, whom thou hast blasphem'd,
 And crucify'd often afresh ;
 But let me henceforth be esteem'd
 Thy brother, thy bone, and thy flesh,

I 70.

Joshua the High Priest.

Compare Zech. iii. 2, with Jude ix.
Wonderful Counsellor. Is. ix. 6.
and pleadeth the cause of his people. Is. li. 22.

WHEN Joshua stood before the Lord,
 Cloth'd in his filthy dress,
 He saw that ev'ry thought and word
 Was all unrighteousness.

Satan for Moses looks around ;
 Calls for the broken law :
 But Moses no where can be found,
 Being order'd to withdraw.

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- 3 Th' accuser still maintains the suit,
And loud for Moses calls;
But Joshua, self-condemn'd and mute
Under the charges falls:
- 4 "Guilty" he pleads, nor once preter
To urge a single plea;
But Jesus now his cause defends,
And proves the sinner free.
- 5 Satan, says he, see this discharge
In full for me and mine!
This answers ev'ry heavy charge;
For this is blood divine.
- 6 Th' injustice, Satan, lies with thee;
And God rebukes thy lie;
In his behalf I urge this plea—
That for him I did die.
- 7 Prove that I never bore his sin,
Nor suffer'd to atone,
Then thou canst bring him guilty in:
But he's my flesh and bone.
- 8 Written with iron pens in blood
On Jesu's hands and side,
There's a receipt fil'd on the wood
Where Christ was crucified.

I 7 I.

Cleft of the Rock.

Will put thee in a cleft of the rock. Ex. xxxiii. 22.

That rock is Christ. 1 Cor. x. 4.

Who is a rock save our God? 2 Sam. xxii. 32.

WOULD thy ravish'd eyes behold
 Glory better felt than told?
 Wouldst thou hear the Lord proclaim
 All the glory of his name?

He must lead thee to the rock
 Which his servant Moses struck—
 Rock to build his mercy on
 While eternal ages run.

In the rock is found a cleft,
 Which in Herod's time was reft
 By a wanton soldier's spear;
 And the Lord must put thee there.

There the Lord reveals his face;
 Passeth by in truth and grace;
 Bids the mountain guilt depart,
 And bestows a loving heart.

Blessed Rock!—for ever blest!
 Bringing weary pilgrims rest:
 Here they sing, and joyful stand,
 Gazing on the promis'd land.

JOY AND PEACE

HYMN 172.

Joy of Faith.

Rather rejoice because your names are written. Luke x. 19.

As many as were ordained into eternal life
Acts xiii. 48.

*I have loved thee with an everlasting love
with loving kindness have I drawn.*
xxxii. 3.

1 **H**OW happy are we,
Our election who see,
And can venture our souls on thy gracious
In Jesus approv'd;
From eternity lov'd;
And held in his hand, whence we cannot

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2 'Tis sweet to recline
On the bosom divine,
Experience the comforts peculiar to thine :
While, born from above,
And upheld by thy love,
, with singing and triumph, to Sion remove.

3 As doves, we have prest
To the ark of thy breast—
t harbour of safety, that center of rest :
Thou hast taken us in,
Thou hast cancell'd our sin,
sown the sure seed of salvation within.

4 Our seeking thy face
Was the fruit of thy grace ;
'goodness deserves, and shall have all the praise :
No sinner can be
Beforehand with thee ;
grace is preventing, almighty, and free.

5 Effectually drawn,
We came to thy Son ;
thoul't perfect the work, for the work was thy
Thy breath from above [own :
The spark shall improve ;
floods can extinguish our dawning of love.

173.

Praise for Deliverance.

*In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried unto
my God: he heard my voice. Ps. xviii. 6.*

*The Lord forsakes not his saints: they are preserved
for ever. Ps. xxxvii. 28.*

His work is perfect. Deut. xxxii. 4.

- 1 **W**ITH all my pow'rs of heart and tongue
I'll praise my Maker in my song;
Angels shall hear the notes I raise,
Approve the song, and join the praise.
- 2 To God I cried when troubles rose;
He heard me, and subdued my foes;
He did my rising fears controul,
And strength diffus'd through all my soul.
- 3 Amidst a thousand snares I stand,
Upheld and guarded by thy hand;
Thy words my fainting soul revive,
And thou dost keep my faith alive.
- 4 Grace will complete what grace begins—
To save from sorrow, and from sins:
The work that wisdom undertakes
Eternal mercy ne'er forsakes.

174.

The same.

In the world ye shall have tribulation, but in me ye shall have peace. John xvi. 13.

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding. Phil. iv. 7.

When he giveth quietness, who can make trouble? Job xxxiv. 29.

1 **M**Y thoughts were like the troubled sea,
Which knew no rest nor peace,
Till God spake peace; then all was still,
The winds and waves did cease:
The world can neither give nor take,
Nor can it comprehend,
That inward peace which God does make—
That peace which knows no end.

2 It was my Saviour's legacy—
In me ye shall have peace;
But in the world expect to find
That troubles will increase:
I find it true—the world does rage,
But peace in me doth reign;
And, spite of all, my Lord, I trust,
Will still this peace maintain.

- 3 The burning bush was not con
 For God himself was there :
 The three, when Jesus made th
 Found fire as soft as air.
 Where God does dwell, his pr
 A heav'n of bliss to me ;
 God dwells in Christ ; with him
 For ever longs to be.

175.

Spiritual Joy.

*My soul doth magnify the Lord ; n
 joiced in God my Saviour. Luke*
*When the Lord turned again the c
 then was our mouth filled with la
 tongues with singing. Ps. cxxvi.*
*They joy before thee as the joy of be
 rejoice when they divide the spoil.*

- 1 **W**HO can have greater caus
 Who greater cause to b
 Than we, the children of a kin
 Than we who Christ possess !
- 2 We late were Satan's captives l
 And groan'd beneath his yok
 But to redeem us Jesus bled,
 And his dominion broke.

- 3 Jesus we'll praise with heart and tongue,
 And magnify his grace ;
 And this shall be our endless song—
 We're fav'd alone by grace.
- 4 No law, nor sin, nor death, nor hell,
 Shall us from Christ divide :
 May each now feel, and sing in faith,
 " I am his blood-bought bride !"

176.

The same.

My soul shall rejoice, which thou hast redeemed
 Pf. lxxi. 23.

The Lord is on my side; I will not fear. Pf.
 cxviii. 6.

He is able to save to the uttermost, seeing he ever
liveth. Heb. vii. 25.

- 1 **B**LEST be my God that I was born
 To know the joyful sound,
 That, though my sins so num'rous are,
 Yet grace doth more abound.
- 2 Blest be my God for what I see ;
 My God for what I hear :
 I hear such blessed news from heav'n,
 Nor earth nor hell I fear.

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- 3 I hear that Christ for me was born;
That Christ for me did die;
That Christ for me did rise again,
And did ascend on high.
- 4 He sits at God's right hand for me,
And will return again,
To set me on his glorious throne,
That I with him might reign.

I 77.

It is well.

He hath done all things well. Mark vii. 37.

It is well. Kings iv. 26.

The ways of the Lord are right. Hof. xiv. 9

- 1 **N**OW, in a song of grateful praise,
To my dear Lord my voice I'll raise
With all his saints I'll join to tell—
“My Jesus hath done all things well.”
- 2 His grace was sov'reign, rich, and free,
That sav'd a sinful worm like me;
That pluckt me from the jaws of hell—
“My Jesus hath done all things well.”

- 3 Since I have felt his pard'ning love
 What mercies has he made me prove !
 Mercies which do all praise excel—
 " My Jesus hath done all things well."
- 4 Whene'er my Saviour and my God
 On me has laid his chaste'ning rod,
 I know, in all that has befell,
 " My Jesus hath done all things well."
- 5 Sometimes my Lord his face doth hide,
 To make me pray, or kill my pride :
 Yet on my mind this thought does dwell—
 " My Jesus hath done all things well."

178.

Pearl of Price.

He found one pearl of great price. Matt. xiii. 46.
Christ is all, and in all. Col. iii. 11.

- 1 I V'E found the pearl of greatest price ;
 My heart does sing for joy !
 And sing I must—a Christ I have—
 Oh what a Christ have I !
- 2 Christ is my Prophet, Priest, and King :
 This Prophet guides me right ;
 This Priest for me draws near to God—
 A King of pow'r and might !

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- 3 My Christ—he is the Lord of lords;
He is the King of kings;
He is the Sun of righteousness,
With healing in his wings.
- 4 Christ is my meat ; Christ is my drink ;
My phyfic, and my health ;
My peace, my strength, my joy, my crow
My glory, and my wealth.
- 5 Christ is my Father, and my Friend,
My Brother, and my Love,
My Head, my Hope, my Counsellor,
My Advocate above !
- 6 My Christ—He is the Heav'n of heav'n :
My Christ what shall I call ?
My Christ is first ; my Christ is last ;
My Christ is all in all !

179.

The Lord is good.

*thanks unto the Lord, for he is good—let the
med say so. Ps. cvii. 1.*

*is wise, and will observe those things; even
shall understand the loving kindness of the
Ps. cvii. 43.*

“THE Lord is good”—this we can say
Who prove his goodness ev’ry day:
he Lord is good”—of this we’ll boast,
t we are they who owe him most.

he Lord is good”—we’ll bless the hand
ich brought us from a desert land,
ere neither rest nor peace was found,
ive secure on grace’s ground.

he Lord is good”—we’ll bless the light
ich chas’d away the clouds of night;
made us, by the law of faith,
: from the law of sin and death.

he Lord is good”—his timely aid
ev’d my soul when most afraid;
sing, I call’d upon his name,
l strait my kind deliv’rer came,

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- 5 We'll bless the Lord—"the Lord is good:"
We'll praise him for our daily food:
But chiefly of his grace we'll tell,
Who sav'd our souls from death and hell.
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SPIRITUAL COMMUNION.

HYMN 180.

The Sweetness of Communion.

The desire of our soul is to thy name. Is. xxvi. 8.

*The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord
Ps. xcvi. 5.*

*One thing have I desired—that I will seek after—
behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his
temple. Ps. xcvi. 4.*

- 1 SWEET the moments, rich in blessing,
Which before the cross I spend!
Life, and health, and peace, possessing
From the sinner's dying friend.

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Let me sit for ever viewing
Mercy's streams in streams of blood;
Precious drops, my soul bedewing,
Plead and prove my peace with God.

Here it is I find my heaven,
While upon the Lamb I gaze;
Here I see my sins forgiven;
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

May I still enjoy this feeling,
In all need to Jesus go,
Prove his wounds each day more healing,
And himself more deeply know!

181.

The same.

For thou not—I will strengthen thee; I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness. Ps. xli. 10.

*Ye, who have believed, do enter into rest. Heb. iv. 3.
He that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works as God from his. Heb. iv. 10.*

HOW sweet, my God, when fill'd with love,
Affections fixt on things above,
My comforts drawn from Christ alone,
Boldly to come before thy throne!

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- 2 Cloth'd in a righteousness divine,
In spotless purity I shine:
Strong in Jehovah's strength I stand,
Upheld by an almighty hand.
- 3 Near to my Shepherd let me keep,
Who died a ransom for his sheep;
And ever lay my guilty head
On him who suffer'd in my stead.
- 4 You never can draw near to God
Unless through faith in Jesu's blood;
Law terrors only make us fly;
Mercy, sweet mercy, brings us nigh.
- 5 Your souls must ever be distressed
Until you enter into rest—
The rest of faith, when you shall cease
From your own works as God from his.

182.

The same.

*precious is thy loving kindness! Pf. xxxvi. 9.
king brought me into his chambers: we will be
id, and rejoice in thee; we will remember thy
re more than wine. Cant. i. 4.*

*! to remembrance my song in the night; I com-
me with my own heart. Pf. lxxvii. 6.*

“O tell the Saviour all my wants,
How pleasing is the task!
or less to praise him when he grants
Beyond what I can ask.

My lab’ring spirit vainly seeks
To tell but half the joy;
With how much tenderness he speaks,
And helps me to reply!

or were it wise, nor should I choose;
Such secrets to declare;
like precious wines, their taste they lose,
Expos’d to open air.

at this with boldness I proclaim,
Nor care if thousands hear;
sweet as an ointment is his name,
Not life is half so dear.

184 SPIRITUAL COMMUNION.

- 5 And can you frown, my former friends,
 Who knew what once I was ;
 And blame the song that thus commends
 The man who bore the cross ?
- 6 Trust me, I draw the likeness true,
 And not as fancy paints :
 Such honour may he give to you !
 For such have all his saints.

183.

Prayer for Communion.

*As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so pant
 my soul after thee, O God. Ps. xlii. 1.*

*Whom have I in heaven but thee ? and there is
 upon earth I desire beside thee. Ps. lxxiii. 25.*

*Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth ; for
 love is better than wine. Cant. i. 2.*

- 1 **O** DEAREST Lord, take thou my heart
 Where can such sweetness be
 As I have tasted in thy love,
 As I have found in thee ?
- 2 'Tis heav'n on earth to taste thy love,
 To feel thy quick'ning grace ;
 And the blest heav'n I hope above
 Is there to see thy face.

h 'tis in vain to seek for bliss !
 For bliss cannot be found
 Till you arrive where Jesus is,
 And tread on grace's ground.

184.

The same.

*me where thou feedest, where thou makest thy
 back to rest at noon. Cant. i. 7.*

*Lord, thou hast been a shadow from the heat !
 . xxv. 4.*

THOU Shepherd of Israel divine,
 The joy of the contrite in heart,
 For closer communion we pine,
 Still, still, to reside where thou art.
 The pasture, oh when shall we find,
 Where all who their Shepherd obey
 Are fed, on his bosom reclin'd,
 And screen'd from the heat of the day.

Oh shew us that happiest place,
 That place of thy people's abode,
 Where faints in an ecstasy gaze,
 And hang on a crucify'd God !

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Thy love for lost sinners declare ;
Thy passion, and death on the tree ;
Our spirits to Calvary bear,
To suffer and triumph with thee.

- 3 'Tis there, with the lambs of thy flock,
There only we'd covet to rest,
To lie at the foot of the Rock,
Or rise to be hid in thy breast :
'Tis there we would always abide,
And never a moment depart,
Conceal'd in the cleft of thy side,
Eternally hid in thy heart.

A D O P T I O N.

HYMN 185.

The Spirit of Adoption.

Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God! 1 John iii. 1.

to which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son. Heb. i. 5.

thy Father and your Father. John xx. 17.

LET worldlings trace their pedigree
From this or that great family,
And boast of royal blood;
We scorn to trace our birth so low
As earthly kings or princes do—
We are the sons of God!

The Lord his Spirit doth supply,
That we may 'Abba, Father' cry,
And boldly seek his face:
This earnest makes the children free,
As members of God's family,
And monuments of grace.

186.

The Privileges of Adoption.

God hath revealed them to us by his Spirit. 1 Cor.
ii. 10.

*Because ye are sons God hath sent forth the Spirit
his Son.* Gal. iv. 6.

Joy unspeakable, and full of glory. 1 Pet. i. 8.

- 1 **I**N God, my Saviour and my God,
My spirit doth rejoice;
And I will magnify his name,
For I have heard his voice.
- 2 Eye hath not seen, nor ear hath heard,
From man it is conceal'd,
What grace is treasur'd up in Christ,
Which is to us reveal'd.
- 3 Down from above the blessed dove
Is come into my breast,
To witness God's eternal love,
And give me peace and rest.
- 4 This makes me 'Abba, Father' cry;
This does my fears controul;
This makes me cry, "My Lord, my God!"
With confidence of soul.

ighs are turned into songs;
ow can weep for joy:
those pleasures from above,
hich neither fail nor cloy.

y is now unspeakable,
d full of glory too:
grace to me the Lord has shewn,
ating me a-new!

187.

The same.

I loved them as thou hast loved me. John
3.

not of blood, but of God. John i. 13.
might receive the adoption of sons. Gal.

SSSED are the sons of God;
hey are bought with Jesu's blood;
are ransom'd from the grave;
ternal they shall have.

d love them in his Son
before the world begun:
the seal of this receive
on Jesus they believe.

- 3 They are fav'd alone by grace ;
They enjoy a solid peace ;
All their sins are wash'd away ;
They shall stand in God's great day :
- 4 They are lights upon the earth,
Children of an heav'nly birth ;
Born of God, they hate all sin ;
God's pure seed remains within :
- 5 They have fellowship with God,
Through the Mediator's blood ;
One with God, with Jesus one ;
Glory is in them begun :
- 6 Though they suffer much on earth,
Strangers quite to this world's mirth ;
Yet they have an inward joy,
Pleasures that can never cloy.
- 7 These alone are truly blest—
Heirs of God—joint-heirs with Christ :
With them number'd may we be
Here, and in eternity.

THE OBEDIENCE OF FAITH.

188.

The Necessity of Obedience.

ough sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience.
Pet. i. 2.

God of peace sanctify you wholly. 1 Thess.
23.

servants ye are to whom ye obey. Rom. vi. 16.

TRUTH between diff'rent errors lies;
And daily we shall find
y various ways the devil tries
To blind the human mind.

I want no work within," says one,
" 'Tis all in Christ my Head :"
Thus, careless, he goes blindly on ;
But this man's faith is dead.

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- 3 “ ’Tis dangerous,” another cries,
“ To trust to faith alone ;
“ Christ’s righteousness will not suffice,
“ Except I add my own.”
- 4 Others affirm, “ The Spirit of God,
“ To true believers giv’n,
“ Makes them in heart and life so good,
“ They’re always fit for heav’n.”
- 5 The babe of Christ, at hearing this,
Is fill’d with anxious fear ;
Conscience condemns, and Satan tries
To drive him to despair.
- 6 But, Lord, direct our feeble hearts
To trust thee for the whole !
The work of grace, in all its parts,
Accomplish in the soul !
- 7 Into our hearts thy Spirit breathe ;
A perfect Saviour prove.
Lord, give us faith, and let that faith
Work all thy will by love.

189.

The Lord's Service perfect Freedom.

by people shall be willing. Pf. cx. 3.

delight in the law of God after the inner man.
Rom. vii. 22.

*the servants of Christ, doing the will of God
from the heart—with good-will doing service.*
Eph. vi. 6, 7.

LONG time beneath the law I lay,
In bondage and distress;
I toil'd the precept to obey,
But toil'd without success:

Then—to abstain from outward sin
Was more than I could do;
Now—though I feel its pow'r within,
I feel deliv'rance too:

Then—all my servile works were done
A righteousness to raise;
Now—freely chosen in the Son,
I freely choose his ways:

“What shall I do,” was then the word,
“That I might worthier grow?”
“What shall I render to the Lord?”
Is my inquiry now.

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- 5 To see the law by Christ fulfill'd,
 To hear his pard'ning voice,
 Changes a slave into a child,
 And duty into choice,

190.

Married to Christ,

*Ye also are become dead to the law, by the body
 Christ, that ye should be married to another
 Rom. vii. 4.*

*How shall we, who are dead to sin, live any longer
 therein? Rom. vi. 2.*

*I through the law am dead to the law, that I might
 live unto God. Gal. ii. 19.*

1 **T**HE law being dead,
 The Lamb I now wed;
 And Christ is my Saviour, my Husband, and He

2 While Christ is within,
 I die unto sin:
 How, then, can I live any longer therein?

3 By faith I possess
 The Lord's righteousness;
 And am cloth'd from above with an heav'nly di

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4 This daily I prove,
Faith worketh by love,
sets my affections on Jesus above.

5 By faith I o'ercome,
And heaven's my home, [room.
ere Christ; my forerunner, is gone to make

191.

Gospel Liberty.

*at the law saith, it saith to them that are under
e law. Rom. iii. 19.*

*re not under the law, but under grace. Rom.
. 14.*

*things are passed away—all things are new.
Cor. v. 17.*

THE threat'nings of the law affright
Poor souls who sleep in nature's night;
With thunder Sinai rings:
What things for us hath Jesus done!
Terrors and curses all are gone,
His blood speaks better things.
From penal obligations free,
We walk in gospel liberty;
We walk with God in peace:
From principles entirely new
We long his holy will to do,
And God in all things please.

192.

The Just live by Faith.

The life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith of the Son of God. Gal. ii. 20.

He that believeth on me hath everlasting life. Jd vi. 47.

If righteousness come by the law, then Christ is in vain. Gal. ii. 2.

- 1 **H**OW dreadful is the case of those
 Who on the law depend !
 They to themselves and Christ are foes,
 And hell must be their end.
- 2 Thus faith our good and gracious God—
 “ The just by faith shall live : ”
 These feel the pow’r of Jesu’s blood,
 And life and peace receive.

193.

Reign of Grace.

Grace reigns through righteousness. Rom. v. 21.

Sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of his kingdom.
Heb. i. 8.

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith. Eph.
iii. 17.

AMAZING love, that stoop'd so low,
To view, with pity's eye,
A wretch deserving endless woe,
And for that wretch to die !

That wretch am I—O wondrous love !
Can I forbear to tell
That Jesus left the realms above
To save my soul from hell ?

'Twas love my stubborn heart did bend
To his divine controul ;
Still may this love on me descend,
To warm and melt my soul.

My heart rejoices to confess
My Saviour's gentle sway,
And, as the captive of his grace,
His word and will obey.

194.

Longing to be wholly sanctified.

*The very God of peace sanctify you wholly. 1 T
v. 23.*

*Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest
Spirit in our hearts. 2 Cor. i. 22.*

Now are we the sons of God. 1 John iii. 2.

1 **J**ESUS, what shall I do, to shew
How much I love thy glorious name
Let my whole heart with rapture glow
Thy boundless goodness to proclaim!

2 Lord, if a distant glimpse of thee
Can give such sweet, such rich delight,
What must their joy, their transport be,
Who dwell for ever in thy sight!

3 To that bright world my heart aspires,
Where all the glories of thy face,
Unveil'd, shall fill my soul's desires,
And tune the song of endless praise.

4 Now, since my heart, dear Lord, is thine
Wholly do thou engross its pow'rs;
And may I give to love divine
The little remnant of my hours!

195.

The same.

show me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths.
Pf. xxv. 4.

*And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying,
This is the way; walk ye in it.* Jer. xxx. 21.

Cause me to understand wherein I have erred. Job
vi. 24.

TAKE my poor heart just as it is;
Set up therein thy throne;
So shall I love thee above all,
And live to thee alone.

Complete thy work, and crown thy grace,
That I may faithful prove,
And listen to that small still voice
Which only whispers—love:

Which teaches me what is thy will,
And tells me what to do;
Which covers me with shame when I
Do not thy will pursue.

This unction may I ever feel—
This teaching from my Lord;
And learn obedience to thy voice,
Thy soft, reviving word.

196.

The World well

Forget thine own people and

Pf. xlv. 10.

*They forsook all, and followed h**They launched forth. Luke viii*

1 JESU, at thy comma
 I launch into the
 And leave my native la
 Where sin lulls all a
 For thee I fain would all rel
 And sail to heav'n with thee

2 What though the seas :
 What though the w
 What though tempestu
 Distress me all along
 Yet what are seas or stormy
 Compar'd to Christ, the sin

3 Christ is my pilot wise,
 My compass is his wi
 My soul each storm def
 While I have such a
 I trust his faithfulness and
 To save me in the trying t

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- 4 Though rocks and quicksands deep
Through all my passage lie,
Yet Christ will safely keep,
And guide me with his eye:
How can I sink with such a prop,
That bears the world and all things up?
- 5 By faith I see the land,
The hav'n of endless rest:
My soul, thy wings expand,
And fly to Jesu's breast!
O may I reach the heav'nly shore,
Where winds and waves distress no more!
- 6 Whene'er becalm'd I lie,
And all my storms subside,
Then to my succour fly,
And keep me near thy side;
For more the treach'rous calm I dread,
Than tempests bursting o'er my head.
- 7 Come, heav'nly wind, and blow
A prosp'rous gale of grace,
To waft, from all below,
To heav'n, my destin'd place:
Then in full sail my port I'll find,
And leave the world and sin behind.

BELIEVER'S RULE

HYMN 197

The Walk of Fa

*We walk by faith, and not by sight.
Enoch walked with God. Gen. v
Let us walk by the same rule. Ph*

- 1 **B**Y faith alone I walk with
And keep my journey's
Supported by his staff and rod
My road is safe, and pleasant
- 2 Though snares are laid through
And earth and hell my country
I triumph over all by faith,
For God upholds me with
- 3 The wilderness affords no food
Yet God does there a table
Provides me ev'ry needful good
And guards me ev'ry step

- 1 With him I sweet communion hold,
Because the Son has made me free ;
And, through his grace, I dare be bold
To come, with all my misery.
- 5 Whene'er my feeble spirit faints,
Some cordial from his word he brings,
Which banishes my sad complaints,
And then my soul revives and sings.

198.

The Example of Christ.

If thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. Matt. vi. 22.

Looking unto Jesus. Heb. xii. 2

Learn of me. Matt. ii. 29.

- 1 BY various maxims, forms, and rules,
Which pass for wisdom in the schools,
I strove corruption to restrain ;
But all my efforts prov'd in vain
- 2 But, since the Saviour I have known,
My rules are all reduc'd to one—
To keep my Lord by faith in view ;
This strength supplies, and motives too.

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- 3 I see him lead a suff'ring life,
Patient amidst reproach and strife:
From him I learn, and warning take,
To bear and suffer for his sake.
- 4 When on the cross I see him bleed,
By that my soul from guilt is freed;
This sight destroys the life of sin,
And quickens heav'nly life within.
- 5 Exalted on his glorious throne,
I see him make my cause his own:
Then all my anxious cares subside;
For Jesus lives, and will provide.
- 6 By faith I see the hour at hand
When in his presence I shall stand;
When it will be my endless bliss
To see him where and as he is.

But, what the law could not attain,
God sent his Son, like sinful man;
He, in his flesh, did sin condemn,
That he poor sinners might redeem.

The law, the devil, sin, and death,
Give place unto the law of faith:
No law can be a rule to me
Besides the law of liberty.

If I am in the law of grace,
I then must run the Christian race:
Jesús, my mark, before me lies;
To him I press, and win the prize.

If I with Christ am crucified,
There, in his death, the law hath died:
I'm dead to it; that's dead to me;
From condemnation I am free.

Since I am wash'd in Jesús's blood,
I am not without law to God;
I'm in a law to God's dear Son;—
Christ is my law, and Christ alone.

Peace, peace be now to ev'ry soul,
Who walks according to this rule;
Peace on the Israel of God,
Who walk in Christ, redeem'd with blood.

201.

The Christian's Treasure

*The kingdom of heaven is like unto tree
a field. Matt. xiii. 44.*

*The unsearchable riches of Christ. Eph.
Where your treasure is, there will your h
Matt. vi. 21.*

- 1 **I** N Christ my treasure's all contain
By him my feeble soul's sustain
From him I all things do receive;
Through him my soul does daily lie
- 2 With him I daily love to walk;
Of him my soul delights to talk;
On him I cast my ev'ry care;
Like him one day I shall appear.
- 3 Bless him, my soul, from day to day
Trust him to bring thee on thy way
Give him thy poor weak sinful heart
With him, O never, never part.
- 4 Take him for strength and righteous
Make him thy refuge in distress;
Love him above all earthly joy,
And him in ev'ry thing employ.

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Praise him in cheerful, grateful songs;
To him your highest praise belongs;
To him who does your heav'n prepare;
And him you'll praise for ever there.

202.

Conversation as becometh the Gospel.

Let this mind be in you, which was in Christ. Phil.
ii. 5.

So to walk as he walked. 1 John ii. 6.

Walk in love. Eph. v. 2.

SAY—is the gospel peace and love?
Such may our conversation be!
The serpent blended with the dove;
Wisdom with meek simplicity.

Whene'er our angry passions rise,
And tempt our thoughts, or tongues to strife,
To Jesus may we lift our eyes—
Bright pattern of a Christian life!

Jesus! how patient and how kind!
How meek! how ready to forgive!
Give us, dear Lord, the self-same mind;
Be this the rule by which we live.

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- 4 To do his heav'nly Father's will
Was his employment and delight;
Humility, and holy zeal,
Shone through his life divinely bright.
- 5 Dispensing good where'er he came,
The labours of his life were love;
From love alone to Jesu's name
May his divine example move!
- 6 But, Lord, we need thy constant care,
Or we shall surely turn aside:
Therefore be this our daily pray'r—
“Forgive our sins; our footsteps guide.”

203.

Patient Submission.

If any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed. 1 Pet. iv. 16.

Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, as examples of suffering. James v. 10.

The hand of the Lord shall be known towards his servants; and his indignation towards his enemies. Is. lxvi. 14.

- 1 I call'd to follow Christ our Head,
Then in our lives may it be seen,
That in the steps we daily tread
Of the despised Nazarene.

- 2 Silent, when wrong'd, may we remain ;
 With patience bear th' oppressor's rod ;
 The greatest injuries sustain,
 And leave our cause and cares with God !

204.

The Reproach of Christ.

To you it is given not only to believe, but to suffer.
 Phil. i. 29.

Approving ourselves in afflictions. 2 Cor. vi. 4.

In nothing terrified by your adversaries. Phil. i. 28.

- 1 **H**OW favour'd are we of the Lord,
 To share his cross and shame !
 Let no reproach, nor fire, nor sword,
 Make us deny the Lamb.
- 2 Oh that like sheep we all may learn
 To tread where Jesus trod !
 Silent when wrong'd, nor wrath return,
 But leave revenge to God !
- 3 Dumb as the lambs design'd to die,
 May we our weights sustain ;
 Nor fear the fiercest enemy,
 Nor dread the sharpest pain,

205.

Relative Duties.

Walk honestly toward them that
1 Theff. iv. 12.

Do good unto all men, especially unto
of the household of faith. vi. 10.

If any provide not for his own house
the faith, and is worse than an
v. 8.

1 CHRISTIANS, in your sev'
Dutiful to all relations,
Give to each his proper due:
Let not their unkind behaviour
Make you disobey your Saviour
His command's the rule for y

2 Parents, be to children tender;
Children, full obedience render
To your parents in the Lord
Never flight nor disrespect then
Nor, through pride, when old,
'Tis the precept of the Word

3 Wives, to husbands yield subje
Husbands, with a kind affectio

Cherish, as yourselves, your wives :

Masters, rule with moderation,

Sway'd by justice, not by passion ;

To the scriptures square your lives.

Servants, serve your masters truly ;

Not unfaithful, nor unruly,

To the good—nor to the bad ;

Not refusing what you're bidden,

Nor replying when you're chidden :

'Tis the ordinance of God.

This shall solve th' important question,

Whether thou'rt a real Christian ?

Better than each golden dream ;

Better far than lip-expression,

Tow'ring notions, great profession :—

This shall shew your love to him.

FEAR OF THE LORD.

HYMN 206.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge.
Prov. i. 7.

*I will put my fear into their hearts, that they shall
not depart from me.* Jer. xxxii. 40.

By the fear of the Lord men depart from evil. Prov.
xvi. 6.

- 1 **B**LEST is the man who fears the Lord;
He knows his will, and does his word;
It is his happiness below,
More of his will to know and do.
- 2 Who fears the Lord will trust his grace;
His mercy love; his judgments trace:
Who fears the Lord will not depart
From Christ, so precious to his heart.
- 3 This fear is clean, and will endure;
It is the gift of God most pure:
The Lord must put it in the heart,
That we from evil may depart.

207.

Et love casteth out fear, because fear hath torment. 1 John iv. 18.

He is the man that feareth always. Prov. xxviii.

Sanctify the Lord of hosts himself, and let him be feared. Is. viii. 13.

1 **T**HE fear of the Lord
Our days will prolong;
In trouble afford
A confidence strong;
Will keep us from sinning;
Will prosper our ways;
And is the beginning
Of wisdom and grace.

2 The fear of the Lord
Preserves us from death;
Enforces his word;
Enlivens our faith:
It regulates passion,
And doth in us quell
The dread of damnation,
And terrors of hell.

- 3 The fear of the Lord
Is soundness and health;
A treasure well stor'd
With heavenly wealth;
A fence against evil;
By which we resist
World, flesh, and the devil,
And imitate Christ.
- 4 The fear of the Lord
Is clean and approv'd;
Makes Satan abhorr'd,
And Jesus belov'd:
It conquers by weakness;
Is proof against strife;
A cordial in sickness;
A fountain of life.
- 5 The fear of the Lord
Is lowly and meek;
The happy reward
Of all that him seek:
They only that fear him
The truth can discern;
For, living so near him,
His secrets they learn.
- 6 The fear of the Lord
His mercy makes dear;
His judgments ador'd;
His righteousness clear:

Without its fresh flavour
 In knowledge there's fault,
 In doctrines no favour,
 In duties no falt.

7 The fear of the Lord
 Confirms a good hope :
 By this are restored
 The senses that droop ;
 The deeper it reaches,
 The more the soul thrives ;
 It gives what it teaches,
 And guards what it gives.

8 The fear of the Lord
 Forbids us to yield ;
 It sharpens our sword,
 And strengthens our shield :
 Then cry we to heaven,
 With one loud accord,
 That to us be given
 The fear of the Lord.

THE LOVE OF GOD.

HYMN 208.

Faith, Hope, Charity.

*There abideth faith, hope, and charity; but
greatest of these is charity. 1 Cor. xiii. 13.*

*What a man seeth why doth he yet hope for? R
viii. 24.*

We walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Cor. v. 7.

1 FAITH in the bleeding Lamb—
O what a gift is this!
Hope of salvation in his name—
How comfortable 'tis!

2 Faith will to bliss give place;
In sight we hope shall lose:
For who needs trust for things he has,
Or hope for what he views?

t love shall still remain ;
Its glories cannot cease :
No other change shall that sustain,
Save only to increase.

all that God bestows
In earth or heav'n above,
The best gift faint or angel knows,
Or e'er will know, is love.

209.

Excellency of Love.

greatest of these is charity, which never faileth.
Cor. xiii. 8 and 13.

But charity I am nothing. 1 Cor. xiii. 1, 2, 3.
I knoweledge puffeth up ; charity edifieth. 1 Cor.
. 1.

[APPLY the heart where grace doth reign,
And love inspire the breast :
Love lightens care, assuages pain,
And brings us peace and rest.

Without this, knowledge is but vain,
And vain our slavish fear :
Which in our hearts will surely reign,
If love be absent there.

- 3 Love never dies, but lives and sings,
 When faith and hope shall cease;
 'Tis love shall strike our joyful strings
 In the sweet realms of bliss.
- 4 When join'd to that harmonious throng
 Which fill the choirs above,
 Then shall we tune our golden harps,
 And ev'ry note be love.

210.

The same.

The love of Christ constraineth us. 2 Cor. v. 1
I draw them with the bands of love. Hosea xi.
God is love. 1 John iv. 16.

- 1 O LOVE divine, how sweet thou art!
 'Twas this o'ercame my stony heart;
 And now I daily long to prove
 More of the winning force of love.
- 2 Nothing can bind my heart to God,
 But his own love when shed abroad:
 By this constrain'd, his name I fear,
 Because it is to me so dear.

that I could for ever sit
 h Mary at her master's feet,
 to hear the bridegroom's voice,
 in *redeeming love* rejoice !

er pursuits are vain, I see :
 , let me lose myself in thee !
 irth beneath, or heav'n above,
 ing I wish to know, but love.

211.

Gratitude.

*but my fear into their hearts, that they shall
 apart from me. Jer. xxxii. 40.*

*an I do this, and sin against God ? Gen.
 x. 9.*

*is, which are many, are forgiven, wherefor
 ved much. Luke vii. 47.*

7 HEN our souls look back, and view

What the Lord has brought us through ;
 ough what straits and misery
 s brought us tenderly ;
 by this alone we prove
 t, besides a Saviour's love,
 ight will make us serve the Lord,
 his name, or do his word.

- 2 Not a form of godliness
Can afford true happiness.
When we were distressed in mind,
And relief could nowhere find,
Help we sought from all around—
Cried and wept—but none was found
Sinking almost—lo there came
Life and peace from Jesu's name !
- 3 Now, in all our works and ways,
We would live to Jesu's praise ;
Careful never to offend
This our gracious God and friend :
May we never once forget
Jesu's agony and sweat ;
But devote ourselves to God,
As the purchase of his blood.

212.

Debt of Love.

*the Lord, O my soul; and forget not all his
benefits, who forgiveth all thine iniquities. Ps.*

2, 3.

*tion to our God which sitteth upon the throne,
unto the Lamb. Rev. vii. 10.*

fulness have we received. John i. 16.

EN thousand talents once I ow'd,

And nothing had to pay;

But Jesus freed me from my load,

And wash'd my sins away.

But, since the Lord forgave my sin,

And blotted out my score,

How much more indebted have I been

Than e'er I was before.

The penal bond is paid, I know,

And satisfaction made;

But the vast debt of love I owe

Can never be repaid.

It is well—it shall my glory be,

Let who will boast their store,

Time, and through eternity,

To owe still more and more.

213.

For the Increase of Love.

*Thou knowest that I love thee. John xxi. :
 To you who believe he is precious. 1 Pet. ii
 Whom have I in heaven but thee? and thou
 upon earth that I desire besides thee. Ps. l:*

- 1 **D**O not I love thee, O my Lord?
 Behold my heart, and see;
 And turn each cursed idol out,
 That dares to rival thee.
- 2 Do not I love thee from my soul?
 Then let me nothing love:
 Dead be my heart to ev'ry joy
 Which God does not approve,
- 3 Is not thy name melodious still
 To mine attentive ear?
 Does not each pulse with pleasure bound
 My Saviour's voice to hear?
- 4 Thou know'st I love thee, dearest Lord
 But oh! I long to soar
 Far from the sphere of mortal joys,
 And learn to love thee more.

214.

Mutual Bond.

*How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? Hosea xi. 8.
 —Tasted that the Lord is gracious. 1 Pet. ii. 3.
 He will rest in his love. Zeph. iii. 17.*

1 **O**UR Saviour and friend
 His love shall extend;
 Knew no beginning, and never shall end:
 Whom once he receives,
 His Spirit ne'er leaves;
 For revokes, nor repents of, the grace that he gives.

2 Through mercy we taste
 The invifible feaft,
 The bread of the kingdom, the wine of the blest:
 Who grants us to know
 His drawings below
 Will endless falvation and glory beftow.

3 This proof we can give,
 That thee we receive:
 Thou art precious alone to the fouls that believe;
 Thou art precious to us;
 All befide is as dross— [thy crofs.
 When compar'd with thy love and the blood of

215.

The same.

We love him, because he first loved us.

Hereby perceive we the love of God. 1 John iii. 16.

To know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge.
Eph. iii. 19.

Now I see through a glass darkly—now I know in part. 1 Cor. xiii. 12.

1 **H**ARK, my soul!—it is the Lord—
'Tis thy Saviour; hear his word:
Jesus speaks, and speaks to thee—
“ Say, poor sinner, lov’st thou me?”

2 I deliver’d thee when bound;
And, when wounded, heal’d thy wound;
Sought thee, wand’ring; set thee right;
Turn’d thy darkness into light.

3 Can a woman’s tender care
Cease toward the child she bear?
Yes; she may forgetful be;
Yet will I remember thee.

4 Mine is an unchanging love;
Higher than the heights above,
Deeper than the depths beneath,
Free and faithful, strong as death.

Thou shalt reign in glory soon ;
 When thy race on earth is run,
 Partner of my throne shalt be.—
 “ Say, poor sinner, lov’st thou me ! ”

“ Lord, it is my chief complaint,
 “ That my love is weak and faint ;
 “ Yet I love thee, and adore—
 “ Oh for grace to love thee more ! ”

HUMILITY.

HYMN 216.

Continual Pensioner.

*I count all things but loss for the excellency
knowledge of Christ Jesus, my Lord. Phil.*

*Having nothing, yet possessing all things.
vi. 10.*

*From the head all the body, by joints and ban
nourishment ministered. Coll. ii. 19.*

- 1 **T**HE more, through grace, myself I
The more content I am to bow,
And lie at Jesu's cross:
By faith I feel his cleansing blood;
I wait on him for ev'ry good,
And count my gain but loss.
- 2 Content and glad, O may I be,
To have salvation, Lord, from thee,
E'en as a sinner poor!
I nothing have, I nothing am;
My treasure's wholly in the Lamb,
Both now and evermore.

217.

Grace still.

casting is excluded. Rom. iii. 27.

shall not speak of himself. John xvi. 13.

*are the circumcision who rejoice in Christ Jesus,
but have no confidence in the flesh.* Phil. iii. 3.

WHATEVER prompts the soul to pride,
Or gives us room to boast,
Except in Jesus crucified,
Is not the Holy Ghost.

That blessed Spirit does not speak
Of what himself has done,
But bids th' enlighten'd sinner seek
Perfection in the Son.

He never moves a man to say—
“Thank God I am so good;”
But turns his eye another way—
To Jesus and his blood.

Great are the honours he bestows,
But all in Jesu's name;
He gladly dictates, gladly hears,
Whate'er exalts the Lamb.

218.

Boasting excluded

*In me [that is, in my flesh] dwelleth
Rom. vii. 18.*

—Kept by the power of God. 1

We are men of like passions with you

1 **S**INCE by the faith of God
I rose to life again,
The grace, which was on me
Has not been wholly vain :
Yet what have I to boast ?
Sin still remains in me ;
Partaker of a nature lost,
I feel my misery.

2 I start, and turn aside,
Just like a broken bow ;
Softened with lust, puff'd up
Enslav'd to things below.
As sparks toward the skies
Ascend from off the coals,

A stone, thrown in the air,
Will of itself descend;
And so should I—but Jesu's care
Will keep me to the end.
Did not the Lord restrain
By his almighty power,
I should have fallen again;
I could not stand an hour.

219.

All from Christ.

God that worketh in thee, both to will and to
Phil. ii. 13.

about me ye can do nothing. John xv. 5.

hast thou that thou didst not receive? 1 Cor.
7.

SOFTY sinners love to talk
Of their wisdom and their walk,
Of their graces and their might,
Till they weary patience quite.

Something once I seem'd to have—
To the Lord I something gave;
Now I tell to great and small
Jesus Christ is all in all.

- 3 All my wisdom to direct,
 All my power to protect,
 All the merit I can claim,
 All my hope, is in his name.
- 4 Bountiful is Zion's King:—
 He gives me but ev'ry thing;
 Giveth eyes to see my way,
 Will and pow'r to watch and pray.
- 5 Will and pow'r to love the Lord,
 Will and pow'r to trust his word,
 Will and pow'r to run the race—
 Glory be to his free grace!

220.

None but Christ.

None good save one, that is God. Matt. xix.
Though I were perfect, yet would I not kn
soul. Job ix. 21.
His angels he charged with folly. Job iv. 18

- 1 COULD I of all perfection boast,
 As pure as that which Adam lost,
 I'd say that Christ alone was good;
 And glory only in his blood,

as I, as Abra'm, strong in faith,
and boldly faithful unto death,
I bid my faithfulness adieu,
and Jesus only faithful view.

I more meek than Moses were,
quite free from anger, strife, or fear,
at this I gladly would despise,
and Jesu's meekness only prize.

as I, as Job, submissive, still,
patient, resign'd to ev'ry ill,
at, when I look at Jesu's cross,
count all this no more than dross.

I was wise as Solomon,
like him with zeal and ardour shone,
like him I'd vain and foolish see
my wisdom, zeal—yea all but Thee !

and I an angel's purity,
yet even this I would deny ;
or good confess, in name or thing,
except in Christ, my Lord and King !

221.

Publican and Pharisee,

God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace to the humble. James iv. 6.

If we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged of the Lord. 1 Cor. xi. 31.

The workers of iniquity boast themselves. xciv. 4.

- 1 **B**EHOLD how sinners disagree—
The publican and pharisee—
One doth his righteousness proclaim,
The other owns his guilt and shame:
- 2 The one at humble distance stands,
And owns the breach of God's commands;
The other rises near the throne,
And talks of duties he has done.
- 3 The Lord their diff'rent language knows,
And diff'rent answers he bestows:
The humble soul with grace he crowns,
Whilst on the proud his anger frowns.

222.

Peter's Fall.

*gh I should die with thee, yet will I not deny
e. Matt. xxvi. 35.*

*enied with an oath—I do not know the man.
att. xxvi. 72.*

*him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he
ll. 1 Cor. x. 12.*

1 **H**OW easily man
Mistakes his own heart,
And fancies he can
Act up to his part;
Has no apprehension
Of weakness within,
But thinks good intètion
Will guard him from sin.

2 So Peter once thought, |
And honestly spake;
But quickly was brought
To see his mistake:
His valour was tried,
And cowardice prov'd;
He stoutly denied
The Master he lov'd.

3 In Peter I see
My nature display'd,
High-minded to be,
Yet quickly dismay'd:

Presuming on valour,
And wisdom, and strength,
We tumble the fouler
And faster at length.

- 4 Enfeebled we are,
Yet stout in self-will;
No strength for the war,
Yet confident still:
Ashamed to tarry
When called to fight;
Yet sure to miscarry
When left to our might.

- 5 If Peter could fall,
And fall such a length,
Then wo be to all
Who trust their own streng
The strength of their nature,
Or strength of their grace:
They sooner or later
Will suffer disgrace.

- 6 No more I would walk
In such empty shew;
No more I would talk
Of feats I can do;
But build a safe nest in
The Saviour's own tow'r,
And put my whole trust in
His mercy and pow'r.

223.

David numbering the People.

*Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, &c. Jer.
· 23.*

*manifestation of the Spirit is given to every
man to profit withal. 1 Cor. xii. 7.*

*Good stewards of the manifold grace of God
Pet. iv. 10.*

ONCE David sent to hear
How many men of might
In Israel's tribes appear,
Full grown, and fit for fight:
The tale is brought—but oh the pain!—
It cost him seventy thousand men!
Raw pilgrims oft relate
Their gifts and gracious walk;
Nor see how Satan's bait
Is laid in such fine talk:
In Jesu's fulness let me feast;
In Jesus live; in Jesus rest!
Whatever God may give,
In providence or grace,
The gift with thanks receive,
And use it in its place;
But trust not in the given store,
Nor count thy treasures o'er and o'er.

224.

The Believer's Boasting.

No man can come unto me, except the Father draw him. John vi. 44.

Whosoever shall deny me, him will I deny. Matt. x. 33.

Speak boldly, as I ought to speak. Eph. vi. 20.

- 1 **A** SHAM'D of Jesus ! yes ; 'tis plain
We love him not till born again ;
For all, by nature, scorn his ways,
Oppose his truths, and slight his grace.
- 2 Yet, since I've known the sinner's friend,
On him for heav'n my hopes depend ;
In him I'll boast ; and 'tis my shame,
That I no more revere his name.
- 3 Asham'd of Jesus !—then I may,
When I've no crimes to wash away ;
No tears to wipe ; no joys to crave ;
No foes to quell ; no soul to save.
- 4 Till then (nor is the boasting vain)
I'll glory in the Lamb once slain :
May this my boast for ever be—
“ Jesus is not ashamed of me ! ”

SPIRITUAL CONFLICT.

HYMN 225.

We had the sentence of death in ourselves. 2 Cor.
i. 9.

*The Son of man is come to seek and save that which
was lost.* Luke xix, 10.

The fight of faith. 1 Tim. vi. 12,

HOW strange is the course that a Christian
must steer!

How perplext is the path he must tread!

The hope of his happiness rises from fear,
And his life he receives from the dead!

His fairest pretensions must wholly be wav'd,
And his best resolutions be crost;
Nor can he expect to be perfectly sav'd,
Till he find himself utterly lost.

When all this is done, and his heart is assur'd
Of the total remission of sins; [cur'd;
When his pardon is sign'd, and his peace is pro-
From that moment his conflict begins.

226.

Dispensations of Grace various.

He divideth to every man severally as he will. 1 Cor.
xii. 11.

Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish. Luke
xiii. 3.

He that believeth not shall be damned. Mark xvi. 16.

- 1 **H**OW hard and rugged is the way
To some poor pilgrims' feet!
In all they do, or think, or say,
They opposition meet.
- 2 Others, again, more smoothly go,
Secur'd from hurts and harms;
Their Saviour leads them gently through,
Or bears them in his arms.
- 3 Faith and repentance all must find;
But yet we daily see
They differ in their time and kind,
Duration and degree.
- 4 But, be our conflicts short or long,
'Tis commonly is true,
That, wheresoever faith is strong,
Repentance is so too.

227.

Conformity to Jesus.

*ugh a son, yet learned he obedience by the things
e suffered. Heb. v. 8.*

*without chastisement—then bastards, not sons.
Heb. xii. 8.*

*shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with
ire. Matt. iii. 11.*

SINCE Christ has borne my sin and curse,
And suffer'd to atone,
Why am I, then, afflicted thus?
Why must I sigh and groan?

While passing through baptismal fire
My spirit frets and pines,
And languishes with fierce desire
To know the Lord's designs.

Why yet does rebel nature live?
And why this war within?
Why do the flesh and spirit strive?
Why do I yet feel sin?

What, must temptations still prevail,
And Satan sift my heart;
Whilst inbred lusts my mind assail,
And cause me grievous smart?

Y

- 5 The world, the flesh, and hell, unite
Against me in this war:
How can I stand the dreadful fight,
And keep from foul despair?
- 6 "Take up thy cross—thyself deny:"
Oh most unpleasing sound!
Alas! I burn, I sink, I die;
So painful is the wound.
- 7 What! must my worldly aims be cross'd
Denied my heart's desire?
What! must my character be lost,
And sensual joys expire?
- 8 Is there no way to glorify
Thy death and honour'd name,
Unless unto myself I die,
And bear reproach and shame?
- 9 Ten thousand tears, ten thousand sighs
Express my deep complaints;
To thee I pray with piercing cries,
Thou glorious King of saints!
- 10 Whene'er these thoughts oppress my
I'm ready then to faint;
But, when I see my Saviour's smart,
That stops each sad complaint.
- 11 Be still, my soul; this is the path;
This is the Christian race;
Conform'd to Jesus in his death,
We only live by grace.

hy children thou dost exercise,
All whom thou dost receive;
d with thy Spirit dost baptize
The souls that do believe.

hen let me welcome all thy will,
Because the rod is thine;
me the work of faith fulfill,
Nor let me once repine.

With him who suffer'd on the cross
bear my share of pain;
ah! how loth to suffer loss,
Though all that loss be gain!

know that nothing can abate
The love thou bear'st to me;
d nothing e'er shall separate
My blood-bought soul from thee.

all my conflicts, sharp and strong,
In ev'ry trying hour,
My Jesus ever be my song,
My sun, my shield, and tow'r!

228.

Believing against Hope.

Go forward. Ex. xiv. 13.

All things are possible to him that believeth. M
ix. 23.

What time I am afraid I will trust in thee
lvi. 3.

1 **W**HAT though my Lord does not app
But hides the brightness of his face
Shall I give way to slavish fear,
And doubt his love, his truth, and grace
No—in the strength of Jesus—no—
Let me not to the tempter yield:
Where else can such a sinner go?
Where can I find another shield?

2 Barren although my soul remain,
And not one bud of grace appear,
My past experience seems but vain;
Satan would drive me to despair:
I'm nothing in myself, I see,
But a poor sinner vile and lost:
Could Jesus die for such as me?—
And yet I have no other trust.

In hope, believing against hope,
 The promis'd mercies I must claim;
 Trusting in Christ to lift me up,
 I'll call upon the Saviour's name;
 I would, but cannot, see my Lord;
 Yet I believe he still is nigh:
 I trust his true and faithful word,
 And only on his grace rely.

229.

The same.

*The Lord is my light, and my salvation; whom shall
 I fear? Ps. xxvii. 1.*

*Why art thou cast down, O my soul? Hope thou in
 God. Ps. xlii. 5.*

*Casting all your care upon him, for he careth for you.
 1 Pet. v. 7.*

- 1 IF Christ be my defence and tow'r,
 Why should I fear the tempter's pow'r?
 If Jesus is my mighty shield,
 Though hot the fight, why should I yield?
- 2 Though creature comforts fade and die,
 Yet Jesus lives, and still is nigh;
 Though all the flocks and herds be dead,
 Yet Jesus is my living bread.

- 3 I know not what may soon betide ;
Yet Jesus knows, and he'll provide :
Though sin would sink me in distress,
Yet Jesus is my righteousness,
- 4 Though faint my pray'rs, and cold my love,
Yet Jesus intercedes above :
What though my foes should all combine,
Yet Jesus is for ever mine !

P A T I E N C E.

HYMN 230.

Power of Faith.

faith, which worketh by love. Gal v. 6.

brought faith subdued kingdoms, &c. Heb. xi. 33.

Who is he that overcometh, but he that believeth?
1 John v. 5.

THE faith which unites to the Lamb,
And makes his salvation our own,
Is more than mere notion or name—
'Tis the work of his Spirit alone.

This principle, active and strong,
Can live under pressure and load:
When weak, it can then make us strong,
And draw the soul upward to God.

- 3 It treads on the world, and on hell;
 It vanquishes death and despair;
 And (what is still stranger to tell)
 It overcomes heaven by pray'r!
- 4 By this a vile worm of the dust
 Can commune with God as a friend
 Can hope his forgiveness is just,
 And trust in God's love to the end

231.

The only Refuge.

*The God of Jacob is our refuge. Ps. xlvii
 A man shall be a hiding place. Is. xxxii.
 In the shadow of thy wings will I make
 until these calamities be overpast. Ps. l*

- 1 JESUS, lover of my soul,
 Let me to thy bosom fly,
 While the billows near me roll,
 While the tempest still is high!
 Hide me, O my Saviour, hide,
 Till the storm of life be past;
 Safe into the haven guide,
 And receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none,
Hangs my helpless soul on thee :
Leave, O leave me not alone !
Still support and comfort me :
All my trust on thee is stay'd ;
All my help from thee I bring ;
Cover my defenceless head
With the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want ;
Ev'ry good in thee I find :
Thou canst cheer my soul when faint,
Ease the anguish of my mind.
Just and holy is thy name—
I am all unrighteousness ;
Vile, and full of sin, I am—
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found,
Grace to pardon all my sin :
Let the healing streams abound ;
Make and keep me pure within :
Thou of life the Fountain art ;
Freely let me take of thee ;
Spring thou up within my heart ;
Rise to all eternity !

232.

The Pilgrim's Staff.

In this tabernacle we do groan. 2 Cor. v. 4.

If need be ye are in heaviness. 1 Pet. i. 6, 7.

All things work together for good. Rom. viii. 28.

1 **STREAMS** of bitterness and wo
Through this thorny desert flow;
Here my portion's to complain,
Weep o'er sin, and weep again;
Here my faith, like gold when tried,
Must the fiery test abide:
What can keep me? Jesu's love,
And his grace sent from above.

2 Jesus does my fears controul,
And revive my drooping soul;
He my ev'ry need supplies;
He a sov'reign balm applies;
Secretly he whispers peace,
Promises a sure release.
Trials, when they're understood,
Will be found to work for good.

233.

Helpless Man.

*Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away:
Blessed be the name of the Lord. Job. i. 21.*

*the Lord—let him do what seemeth him good.
Sam. iii. 18.*

*I am dumb; I opened not my mouth, because thou
hast it. Ps. xxxix. 9.*

MY times of sorrow and of joy,
Great God, are in thy hand;
Thy choicest comforts came from thee,
And go at thy command,

thou shouldst take them all away,
Yet let me not repine:
Before they were possessed by me
They were entirely thine.

Let me not drop a murm'ring word,
Though earthly joys be gone,
I seek enduring happiness
In thee, and thee alone.

What is the world, and all things here?
'Tis but a bitter sweet:
When I attempt a rose to pluck,
A pricking thorn I meet,

- 5 Here perfect bliss can ne'er be found:
 The honey's mixt with gall:
 'Midst changing scenes and dying friends,
 Be thou my all in all.

234.

Comfort in Afflictions.

My soul refused to be comforted. Ps. lxxvii. 2.

My spirit was overwhelmed. 3.

*This is my infirmity—but I will remember the y
 of the right hand of the Most High.
 lxxvii. 10.*

QUESTION.

- 1 **M**UST it, dear Lord, be so?
 And must thy children bear
 Such various kinds of wo,
 Such soul-perplexing fear?
 Is this the lot of thine elect?
 Are these the blessings we expect?

ANSWER.

- 2 How harsh soe'er the way,
 The Saviour still leads on;
 And will enable you to say—
 “Father, thy will be done!”
 At most we do but taste the cup;
 ’Twas he alone who drank it up.

PRAYER.

Lord, let us not complain,

Nor at thy will repine :

For what is all our pain ?

How light compar'd with thine !

Finish the work thou hast begun ;

Choose thou our way, but lead us on.

235.

The same.

*ough I walk through the valley of the shadow of
death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me.
Ps. xxiii. 4.*

*w lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, for mine
eyes have seen thy salvation. Luke ii. 29.*

thy presence is fulness of joy. Ps. xvi. 11.

THOUGH dangers threaten me around,
And trials ev'ry where abound,
If on the Lord I cast my care,
'Tis that preserves me from despair.

Though worldly comforts should depart,
And troubles press my drooping heart,
If Jesus smiles with blissful ray,
Then all my sorrows fly away.

- 3 His presence scatters ev'ry gloom ;
 Yea, gilds the horrors of the tomb :
 Not death itself can then affright,
 If Christ I see—my Lord, my light.
- 4 Though nought remains below the sky
 To please my taste, mine ear, mine eye,
 In Jesus I can find a joy,
 Which nothing earthly can destroy.
- 5 All other joys must soon decline ;
 But to know this—that Christ is mine—
 With peace and love will fill the soul,
 And joys that never can be told.

236.

General Resignation.

I have learned in every state to be content. Phi
 iv. 11.

Be content with such things as ye have. Hel
 xiii. 5.

- 1 **H**OW things may prove, or good or ill,
 No man with all his wit can tell :
 What seems desirable at first,
 Of all bad things, may prove the worst.

he trade of wishing I would leave,
nd learn with sweet content to live ;
epend on Jesus as my friend,
nd take what he is pleas'd to send.

Oh may no care perplex me now !
ut in my heart to Jesus bow :
On him I'd cast my ev'ry care,
nd to him cry with ceaseless pray'r.

On Jesus live ; by Jesus taught,
May he engage each rising thought !
nd may he be my whole delight,
My talk by day, my song by night !

PERSEVERANCE.

HYMN 237.

*I give unto them eternal life, and they shall not
perish. John x. 28.*

*The gifts and calling of God are without repentance
Rom. ii. 29.*

Because I live ye shall live. John iv. 19.

- 1 **T**HE sinner, who by precious faith
Has felt his sins forgiv'n,
Is from that moment pass'd from death,
And seal'd an heir of heav'n :
- 2 Though thousand snares enclose his feet,
Not one shall hold him fast ;
Whatever dangers he may meet,
He shall get safe at last.

Not as the world the Saviour gives ;
 He is no fickle friend :
 Whom once he loves he never leaves,
 But loves him to the end.

He, who would this great truth withstand,
 Would pull God's temple down,
 Wrest Jesu's sceptre from his hand,
 And rob him of his crown.

Satan might then full vict'ry boast ;
 The church might wholly fall :
 If one believer may be lost,
 It follows—so may all.

But Christ in ev'ry age has prov'd
 His promise firm and true :
 If this foundation be remov'd,
 What shall the righteous do ?

Brethren, by this high claim abide—
 Your title sure to bliss :
 Whatever you give up beside,
 O never give up this !

His saints are in thy hand. Deut. xxxiii

*When I have preached to others, I myself
a castaway [viz. if left to myself
faithfulness]; but I do not run as
1 Cor. ix. 26, 27.*

*I have sworn by my holiness that I will
David; his seed shall endure for
lxxxix. 35.*

1 **I**F ever it should come to pass
That sheep of Christ might fall
My fickle, feeble soul, alas!
Would fall a thousand time times
Was not God's love as firm as free,
He soon would take it all from me,

To other stay have I beside:

If this can fail, my soul *must* fall:
look to Christ to be supplied

With life, with will, with pow'r, with all,
let others glory in their store,
Jesus, I know, relieves the poor.

239.

Display of God's Love and Power.

*God all things are possible. Matt. xix. 26.
Conquering spoiled principalities and powers. Col.
i. 15.*

*Come to Jesus, and see the man (whom no man
could bind—no not with chains) sitting, and
obed, and in his right mind. See Mark v. 15.*

Is any thing too hard for God?

What won't he for his children do!
Dear in his sight is Jesu's blood,
And dear the purchase of it too.

Our ev'ry want he will supply;
All difficulties, too, remove:
Did he not give his son to die?
And can he now forget to love?

Though in ourselves deform'd we are,
Loathsome, polluted, and unclean,
Our God in Christ beholds us fair,
Spotless, and free from guilt and sin.

Yet joy in the morning
Shall surely abound :
No shadow of turning
In Jesus is found.

- 3 The hills may depart,
And mountains remove ;
But faithful thou art,
O Fountain of love :
The Father hath grav'n
Our names on thy hands ;
Our building in heav'n
Eternally stands.

- 4 A moment he hid
The light of his face,
Yet firmly decreed
To save us by grace ;
And, though he reprov'd us,
And still may reprove,
For ever he lov'd us,
And ever will love,

241.

Confidence.

I know whom I have believed. 2 Tim. i. 12

My soul shall make her boast in the Lord.
xxxiv. 2.

Of such a man I will boast. 1 Cor. xii. 5.

- 1 **O**UR God, how firm his promise stands
E'en when he hides his face!
He trusts in our Redeemer's hands
His glory and his grace.
- 2 Beneath his smiles my heart has liv'd,
And part of heav'n possess'd:
I thank him for the grace receiv'd,
And trust him for the rest.
- 3 Jesus, my God, I know his name;
His name is all my trust:
He will not put my soul to shame,
Nor let my hope be lost.
- 4 Firm as his throne his promise stands;
And he can well secure
What I've committed to his hands,
Till the decisive hour.

242.

The Sinner's only Plea.

*We have an Advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ
—he is the propitiation for our sins. 1 John
ii. 1, 2.*

*There remaineth no more sacrifice for sin. Heb.
x. 26.*

*For thy name's sake, O Lord, pardon mine iniquity.
Ps. xxv. 11.*

- 1 **S**INCE the Lord thus far has brought me
By his watchful, tender care ;
Since 'twas he himself who taught me
How to seek his face in pray'r :
After so much mercy past,
Will he give me up at last ?
- 2 True ; I've been a foolish creature,
And have slighted oft his grace ;
Yet forgiveness is his nature,
Even when he hides his face :
Ere he call'd me, well he knew
What a heart like mine would do.

- 3 In my Saviour's intercession
 Daily would my soul confide:
 Lord, accept this free confession—
 "I have sinn'd, but thou hast died."
 This is all I have to plead;
 This is all the plea I need.

243.

Dependence.

- Upholding all things.* Heb. i. 3.
 —*Leaning on her beloved.* Cant. viii. 5
Give—and forgive. Matt. vi. 11.

- 1 **D**EPENDENT on the God of pow
 Angels elect the hand adore
 Of him who did all things create,
 And keeps them in their happy state.
- 2 Dependent on the God of grace,
 We, the redeem'd of Adam's race,
 Will of his love and mercy tell,
 Who sav'd us from the pit of hell.
- 3 Dependent may we ever live,
 Receiving what he's pleas'd to give:
 Humbly confessing, to his praise,
 What'er we have 'tis all of grace.

pendent on this faithful friend,
e trust he'll keep us to the end ;
r would we independent be ;
t live dependent, Lord, on thee.

s our boast, our joy, and crown,
at we have nothing of our own :
l fulness dwells in Christ, our Head ;
him redeem'd, by him we're fed.

244.

Invincible Power.

art thou, O great mountain ? Zech. iv. 7.

lesh is grass. Is. xl. 6.

*pake, and it was done ; he commanded, and it
od fast. Ps. xxxiii. 9.*

1 **T**HOUGH thousands of foes
The work should oppose,
The building in Zion must stand :
He who laid the design
Says, All power is mine :
The plummet is plac'd in his hand.

2 The mountain of sin,
The curse it brought in,
He hath by his death put away :
The work is now done ;
We honour the Son,
Who cast up a glorious high-way..

- 3 What yet may remain
The Spirit makes plain,
Removing the vail from our hearts:
We see the blood spilt ;
The mountain of guilt
From conscience that moment departs,
- 4 Though snares may be laid,
And troubles invade,
Unshaken still may we remain !
No mountain so great,
But under our feet
Shall soon be made level and plain.

P R A Y E R.

HYMN 245.

The End and Use of Prayer.

*He is of one mind, and who can turn him? Job
xxiii. 13.*

*He will do it, saith the Lord; yet for this will I be
inquired of. Ez. xxxvi. 37.*

*The Spirit helpeth our infirmities; for we know not
what we should pray for as we ought—he maketh
intercession according to the will of God. Rom.
viii. 26, 27.*

PRAY'R was appointed to convey
The blessings God designs to give;
Long as they live should Christians pray,
For only while they pray they live.

- 2 The Christian's heart his pray'r indites;
He speaks as prompted from within;
The Spirit his petition writes;
And Christ receives, and gives it in.
- 3 Thou may'st complain thy faith is weak,
Thy thoughts are broken, language low
Pray'r is to feel, rather than speak—
To ask of God in Jesu's name.
- 4 Depend on Christ, thou canst not fail:
Make all thy wants, and wishes known
Fear not—his merits must prevail;
Ask what thou wilt it shall be done.

246.

Encouragement to Prayer.

Come boldly to the throne of grace. Heb. iv. 1
He that spared not his own Son, how will
with him freely give us all things? Rom. vi
Open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it
 lxxx. 10.

1 **I**T is a throne of grace;
 The promise calls me near:
 There Jesus shews a smiling face,
 And waits to answer pray'r:

That rich atoning blood,
Which sprinkled round I see,
Provides for those who come to God
An all-prevailing plea.

2 My soul, ask what thou wilt,
Thou canst not be too bold :
Since his own blood for thee was spilt,
What else can he withhold ?
Beyond thy utmost wants
His love and pow'r can bless :
To praying souls he always grants
More than they can express.

Thine image, Lord, bestow ;
Thy presence and thy love !
ask to serve thee here below,
And reign with thee above.
Teach me to live by faith ;
Conform my will to thine ;
let me victorious be in death,
And then in glory shine !

247.

Bartimeus.

BARTIMEUS. Mark x. 46.

Whatsoever we ask, we receive of him. 1
iii. 22.

No good thing will he withhold. Ps. lxxxiv.

- 1 **A** BEGGAR, who had lost his eyes,
Earnest to Jesus Christ applies ;
He cries with loud and fervent pray'r :
To him the Saviour lends an ear.
- 2 Though charg'd by some to hold his peace
He louder begs for Jesu's grace ;
He comes conducted to our Lord,
And Jesus drops a gracious word.
- 3 The word to Bartimeus spoke
Must surely have a further look :
Ye praying souls, you'll find it true
That this same word belongs to you.
- 4 All ye who cry at mercy's door,
Exceeding blind, exceeding poor,
The Saviour speaks, and speaks to you—
“ Tell me, what would you have me do

248.

Importunity in Prayer,

cause of his importunity. Luke xi. 8.

will not let thee go except thou blest me. Gen. xxxii. 26.

will regard the prayer of the destitute. Ps. cii. 17.

PRAYER must at last prevail:

Though the Lord a while delay,
Wrestling Jacobs cannot fail,
Nor be sent unblest away.

When the woman came from Tyre,
And for help to Jesus sought,
Though he granted her desire,
Yet at first he answer'd not.

No denial would she take,
To his followers though he said—

“ I was sent for Israel's sake :

“ Should the dogs have children's bread ? ”

Yet from hence she drew this plea—

“ Though unworthy children's bread,

“ Though a Gentile dog I be,

“ Let me with their crumbs be fed ! ”

- 5 Thus she own'd her sin and guilt:
 Jesus answer'd with a smile—
 “ Be it to thee as thou wilt;
 “ Abr’ain’s faith proves Abr’am’s chil
- 6 This a pattern is for us:
 Help us, Lord, to wait and pray!
 None who plead or wrestle thus
 Shall be empty sent away.

249.

Grief laid open.

There will I meet and commune with thee
 xxv. 22.

O Lord God, thou art my trust. Ps. lxxi. 5.

God is a very present help in trouble. Ps. xlv.

- 1 **W**HERE, O my soul, where canst thou
 Whom canst thou safely trust?
 Jesus, I'll flee alone to thee,
 Still humbled in the dust.
- 2 To thee I'll tell each rising grief;
 For thou alone canst heal:
 Thy pow'r alone can give relief
 For ev'ry pain I feel.

thy mercy-seat is open still;
Be this my sure retreat:
obmissive to thy sov'reign will,
I fall before thy feet.

Once thou hast bid me seek thy face,
I shall not seek in vain;
nor can the ear of sov'reign grace
Be deaf when I complain.

Thy refuge of my weary soul!
On thee—when sorrows rise,
In thee—when waves of trouble roll,
My fainting heart relies.

250.

Pleading past Mercies.

Answer my prayer; and in faithfulness answer me,
Ps. cxliii. 1.

Lord forsaketh not his saints. Ps. xxxvii. 28.

Take not the work of thine own hands. Ps.
cxxxviii. 8.

ONCE a sinner, near despair,
Sought thy mercy-seat by pray'r;
Thy mercy heard, and set him free:
And, that mercy came to me!

- 2 Many years have past since then,
Many changes have I seen,
Yet have been upheld till now :
Who could hold me up but thou ?
- 3 Help, receiv'd in time of need,
Still emboldens me to plead :
After all thy favours past,
Canst thou let me sink at last ?
- 4 No—I must maintain my hold ;
Former mercies make me bold :
This shall be my only plea—
“ Jesus Christ has died for me !”

251.

Prevalency of Prayer.

A woman of Canaan cried unto him ; but he answer her not a word. Matt. xv 22, 23.

Joseph made haste, for his bowels did yearn unto brother. Gen. xliii. 30.

I besought the Lord thrice. 2 Cor. xii. 8.

- 1 **T**HOUGH Christ may not appear
When his disciples cry,
He marketh ev'ry tear,
And counteth ev'ry sigh :
In all their sorrows bears a part,
Beholds their grief, and feels their smart

2 He helps with unseen hand,
And gives a secret prop,
Which makes them waiting stand
Till he completes their hope :
So let me wait upon this friend,
And trust him till my sorrows end.

3 May ev'ry drooping faint
Keep waiting evermore ;
And, though exceeding faint,
Knock on at mercy's door !
Still may they cry till night be past ;
For day-light will spring up at last,

252.

Deliverance in the Lord's Time,

*Thy days of thy mourning shall be ended. Is. lx. 20,
unto you that fear my name the Sun of righteousness
shall arise with healing in his wings. Mal, iv 2.
He shall heal the broken hearted, Ps. cxlvii. 3,*

THOU poor, afflicted, tempted soul ;
With fears, and doubts, and tempests, lost ;
What, though the billows rise, and roll,
And dash thy ship—it is not lost !

- 2 Why are thine eyes bedew'd with tears?
Why heaves thy lab'ring, sobbing breast?
Say, why those short and broken pray'rs?
What! dost thou long for Jesu's rest?
- 3 To thee this truth I will repeat—
That Jesu's sympathizing heart,
When sinners mourn, and clasp his feet,
In all their griefs will bear a part.
- 4 When once the wound is ripe to heal,
Thou soon shalt hear thy Saviour's voice;
He will speak peace, thy pardon seal,
And in his love thou shalt rejoice.

P A R T III.
FOR A FAMILY.

HYMN 253.

Love and Peace.

*How good is it for brethren to dwell together
unity! Pf. cxxxiii. 1.*

*If God so loved us, we ought also to love one anot.
1 John iv. 11.*

*He that loveth him that begat, loveth him that is
gotten. 1 John v. 1.*

1 **H**OW good and joyful is the sight,
When souls agree in Christ alone;
When in the Lord is their delight,
And all their hearts in Christ are one!

B b

- 2 Did God in love send his dear Son
Down from the glorious realms above,
To die for sins that we had done?
And shall not we each other love?
- 3 The oil; diffus'd on Aaron's head,
Ran smoothly down unto his beard;
O'er all his robes the unction spread,
With which his lowest skirts were strea
- 4 Cemented by an inward peace,
The Spirit's unity we keep:
Love is the bond of perfectness,
Which close enfolds the Saviour's thee

254.

For a Morning.

The Lord's mercies are new every morning.

iii. 23.

In the morning will I direct my prayer to

Pf. v. 3.

Lord, help me! Matt. xvi. 25.

- 1 **WE'RE** enter'd on another day:
Assist us, Lord, to praise and pray—
We praise thee for this morning light;
We praise thee for thy care this night,

As thou renewest still our days,
Renew the tokens of thy grace ;
Help us, dear Lord, by faith to live,
And in thy word and will to thrive.

; Throughout this day with us abide ;
Be thee our guardian and our guide ;
Give us thy blessed will to know,
And give us pow'r the same to do.

+ Whate'er we want do thou supply,
And let us feel thee ever nigh :
Corruptions strong in us remain,
Oh may thy grace their pow'r restrain !

S Help us in truth to persevere ;
Our consciences do thou keep clear ;
And, as thou art our guide and guard,
Thou art our portion and reward.

FOR A FAMILY.

255.

The same.

household of God. Eph. ii. 19.

*whether ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do
to the glory of God. 1 Cor. x. 31.*

*—Were of one heart, and one soul, &c.
iv. 32.*

- 1 JESUS, Lord, we humbly pray,
Bless this family to-day :
In thy footsteps may we tread,
Join'd in spirit to our head ;
Give to each a simple heart ;
Love, and joy, and peace, impart :
Careful in our words and ways,
May we live to Jesu's praise !
- 2 In whate'er we do or say,
May we walk with God to-day ;
All we have, and all we are,
Be committed to his care :
Ever may thy servants prove
The constraining force of love '
Jesus, as our elder brother,
Joins our hearts to one anot'

256.

For a Lord's Day Morning.

e preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, is from the Lord. Prov. xvi. 1. Our eyes wait upon the Lord our God. Ps. cxxiii. 2. The thing have I desired of the Lord—that I may dwell in the house of the Lord, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and inquire in his temple. Ps. xxvii. 4.

NOW, dearest Lord, we inly pray,
That in thy service we
May active, lively, faithful prove,
Deriving strength from thee.

Oh let us still in thee abide,
For babes we are most weak !
Poor sinners still, who, without thee,
Can nought think, act, or speak.

We thirst, O Lord, give us this day
To taste more of thy grace ;
More of the stream, which, from the rock,
Flow'd through the wilderness.

'Tis grace alone that feeds our souls ;
Grace keeps us inly poor :
In us may nothing else but grace
Reign, now and evermore !

257.

Before Meals.

BE present at our table, Lord ;
Be here, and ev'ry where ador'd ;
These creatures bless ; and grant that we
May sweet communion hold with thee !

258.

The same.

- 1 **S**WEETEN, Lord, our daily food
With the relish of thy grace :
May we feel the Lord is good,
And enjoy a settled peace !
- 2 Whether we may eat or drink,
May we do it to the Lord ;
Of him may we speak and think,
Blessing him with one accord !

259.

The same.

JESUS, thou art the living bread,
The bread which came from heav'n:
For us thy precious blood was shed;
Thyself for us was giv'n.

These creatures now, we know, are good,
And take them to thy praise;
Since thou hast sanctified our food,
We'll glory in thy grace.

260.

The same.

O SAVIOUR divine!
Thy name we confess:
These creatures of thine
Most graciously bless;
And, while we are tasting
Our temporal food,
O may we be feasting
On the Lamb of God!

261.

After Meals,

- 1 **C**OME, let us praise the Master's hand,
By his rich bounty fed !
Let us give thanks, and bless his name,
For this our daily bread.
- 2 Mine olive branches, and my vine,
Thrive by my table side ;
Let me depend, for time to come,
That Jesus will provide.
- 3 Mercies we eat ; mercies we drink ;
Mercies we daily wear ;
But that, which all our mercies crowns,
Is in Christ's blood to share.

262.

The same.

- 1 **F**ROM thee, O God of love,
Our blessings freely flow ;
Thou reign'st in heav'n above,
Yet car'st for us below.

Thy mercies now we prove,
And of thy gifts partake:
The objects of thy love
Thou never canst forsake.

263.

The same.

WHAT stores hath God prepar'd for us,
Redeem'd from death, sin, and the curse!
There's nothing round the heav'nly throne,
But we may surely call our own:

And, whilst we sojourn here below,
All needful things God does bestow;
Reveals to us his truth and grace;
Supplies our wants, and guards our ways.

264.

At Night.

The lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice.
Pf. cxli. 2.

I will lay me down in peace, and sleep; for the Lord, only makest me dwell in safety. Pf. i.

I remember thee on my bed, and meditate on thee the night-watches. Pf. lxxiii. 6.

- 1 **G**LORY to thee, our God, this night
For all the blessings of the light:
Keep us, O keep us, King of kings,
Beneath thine own almighty wings!
- 2 Sav'd and redeem'd in thy dear Son
From all the sins that we have done,
Oh may our souls, from bondage free,
Enjoy sweet rest and peace in thee!
- 3 Give us that faith whereby we may
Look forward to the judgment day;
And, sav'd from fear, O may we dread
The grave as little as our bed!
- 4 On thee this night may we repose!
And may sweet sleep our eye-lids close!
Sleep that may us more vigorous make
To serve our God when we awake.

If in the night we sleepless lie,
 Our souls with heav'nly thoughts supply ;
 Let no ill dreams disturb our rest ;
 No pow'rs of darkness us molest,

265.

The same.

Are they not all ministering spirits, sent to minister to the heirs of salvation?

The darkness hideth not from thee, but the night shineth as the day. Ps. cxxxix. 12.

God giveth songs in the night. Job xxxv. 10.

INSPIRER and hearer of pray'r,
 Thou feeder and guardian of thine,
 Ourselves to thy covenant care
 This night we would freely resign.

2 Since thou art our shield and our sun,
 Our minds are enlighten'd to see,
 That, fast as the moments roll on,
 They bring us but nearer to thee,

3 Thy minist'ring spirits descend,
 To watch while thy saints are asleep ;
 By night and by day they attend,
 The heirs of salvation to keep.

- 4 Kind author and ground of our hope,
Thee, thee, for our God we avow;
Our glad Ebenezer set up,
And own thou hast help'd us till now.
- 5 A sov'reign protector we have,
Unseen, yet for ever at hand;
Unchangeably faithful to save;
Almighty to rule and command.
- 6 From evil secure, and its dread,
We rest if our Saviour is nigh;
And songs his kind presence indeed
Shall in the night season supply.

FOR THE CLOSET.

HYMN 266.

Ebenezer.

He found him in a desert land: Deut. xxxii. 10.

All we, like sheep, had gone astray. Is. liii. 6.

*Kept by the power of God through faith. 1 Pet.
i. 5.*

1 **H**ERE I raise my Ebenezer;
Hither by God's help I'm come;
And I hope, by his good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.

2 Jesus sought me, when a stranger,
Wand'ring from the fold of God:
*He, to rescue me from danger,
Interpos'd his precious blood.*

- 3 O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrain'd to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
- 4 Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love:
But my heart, since thou didst seal it
Trusts in thy unchanging love.

267.

A Morning Prayer.

*The life I now live in the flesh I live by t.
the Son of God. Gal. ii. 20.*

*Reaching forth to those things which ar.
press toward the mark. Phil. iii. 13.*

*Grow in grace, and in the knowledge of
and Saviour Jesus Christ. 2 Pet. iii. 1.*

- 1 JESUS, the Saviour of my soul,
Be thou my heart's delight;
Ever to me the same remain—
My joy by day and night.

- 2 Hung'ring and thirsting after thee
May I be found each hour;
Humble in heart, and happy kept
By thine almighty pow'r.

FOR THE CLOSET.

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Oh may I never once forget
What a poor worm I, am !
From death and hell redeem'd by blood—
The blood of God's dear Lamb !

May thy blest Spirit in my heart
Most sweetly shed abroad
The love of my incarnate God,
Who bought me with his blood !

The myst'ry of redeeming love
Be ever dear to me ;
And may the flesh and blood of Christ
My daily manna be !

268.

The same.

GIVE me, O Lord, an upright heart ;
A tender conscience give,
That I from thee no more may part,
No more thy Spirit grieve !

Let me the first approaches feel
Of pride or vain desire ;
This day to do thy sacred will
O let my heart aspire !

- 3 Quick as the apple of mine eye,
 O God, my conscience make;
 And let me feel my Saviour nigh,
 And of his love partake.

269.

An Evening Prayer.

*We know not what we should pray for as we ought
 but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us*
 Rom. viii. 26.

*Covet earnestly the best gifts. 1 Cor. xii. 31.
 Spiritual blessings. Eph. i. 3.*

- 1 **T**HOU must, Lord, my heart prepare,
 Else I offer lifeless pray'r:
 Teach me, therefore, how to pray,
 Deeply feeling what I say.
- 2 With my burden I'd begin;
 Save me from the pow'r of sin;
 Let thy blood, for sinners spilt,
 Keep my conscience free from guilt:
- 3 As I lay me down to rest,
 Let me lean upon thy breast;
 Let my soul enjoy thy light;
 Keep me safe from harms this night!

FOR THE CLOSET.

- 4 While I am a pilgrim here
Let thy love my spirit cheer ;
As my guide, my guard, my friend,
Lead me to my journey's end.
- 5 Shew me what I have to do ;
Ev'ry hour my strength renew ;
Let me live a life of faith ;
Let me die thy people's death.

270.

The same.

We ourselves, who have received the first fruit of the Spirit, groan within ourselves. Rom. vii

Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. Ps. xxx. 5.

In thy presence is fulness of joy. Ps. xvi. 11.

- 1 **A**LAS, alas ! that I should be
Ever unmindful, Lord, of thee !
Yet still I feel (and 'tis my grief)
An evil heart of unbelief.
- 2 A thousand cares, a thousand fears,
Surround me in this vale of tears ;
But let me press through all the crowd,
And hang upon my Saviour God !

- 3 The world—oh what a wretched place !
 Unless I see my Jesu's face ;
 Unless upon his arm I lean,
 And look to things as yet unseen.
- 4 There's no such thing as pleasure here,
 If my dear Saviour disappear :
 His presence draws the sting of woe,
 Makes tears of joy, not sorrow, flow.
- 5 Thine own good pleasure, Lord, fulfil ;
 Conform me to thy sov'reign will :
 This night I leave myself with thee,
 For thou art all in all to me.

271.

The same.

*We have not an high priest which cannot be t
 with the feeling of our infirmities. Heb. iv
 Abide in me. John xv. 4.*

*God shall supply all your need according to his
 in glory by Christ Jesus. Phil. iv. 19.*

- 1 COMPASSIONATE Bridegroom,
 Shepherd and Friend,
 Thy child from the fury of Satan defend ;
 Thy presence continue, thy blessing con
 And grant me a spirit to praise and to

- 2 Prevent and assist me, and so shall I run ;
And further within me the work thou'st begun ;
And then let the world me reject or despise,
Thy grace for my wants, Lord, shall ever suffice.
- 3 Still go thou before me, and guide me aright ;
Thy peace be my comfort, thyself my delight ;
Thy will be my pleasure, thy honour my aim,
And this be my glory—the blood of the Lamb.

272.

The same.

- 1 **T**HOU, who carest for thy flock,
Hide me in thyself, the Rock ;
Let me in thy arms abide ;
Keep me near thy bleeding side.
Lo, I come with all my sin ;
Through thy word, Lord, I am clean ;
For thy blood, for sinners spilt,
Keeps my conscience free from guilt.
- 2 Though I have an evil heart,
Prone from Jesus to depart,
Yet my hope for heav'n above
Stands on God's unchanging love ;
Blest with that sweet peace and joy,
Which the world cannot destroy,
*Oh I feel an inward heav'n
In the sense of sins forgiv'n !*

*O death, where is thy sting? 1 Cor.
To die is gain. Phil. i. 23.
I have a desire to depart. Phil. i. 23.*

- 1 **W**HAT, though I feel disease
Yet give me, Lord, to taste
I then shall change this mournful
Waiting thy message from above
- 2 'Tis thou alone canst make me free
And all my foes and fears outdrive
See death without his pointed sting
And boast a victory o'er the grave
- 3 Lord, I would leave these fetters
To share in joys for ever new;

274.

The same.

He righteous hath hope in his death. Prov. xiv, 32.

Thy rod, and thy staff, they comfort me. Ps. xxiii. 4.

— *Neither death, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God.* Rom. viii. 39.

■ **W**HEN languor and disease invade
This trembling house of clay,
'Tis sweet to look beyond our cage,
And long to fly away

2 Sweet to look inward, and attend
The whispers of his love ;
Sweet to look upward to the place
Where Jesus pleads above.

3 Sweet to look back, and see my name
In life's fair book set down ;
Sweet to look forward, and behold
Eternal joys my own.

4 Sweet to reflect how grace divine
My sins on Jesus laid ;
Sweet to remember that his blood
My debt of suff'ring paid.

- 5 Sweet in his righteousness to stand,
Which saves from second death;
Sweet to experience day by day
His Spirit's quick'ning breath.
- 6 Sweet on his faithfulness to rest,
Whose love can never end;
Sweet on his covenant of grace
For all things to depend.
- 7 Sweet, in the confidence of faith,
To trust his firm decrees;
Sweet to lie passive in his hands,
And know no will but his.
- 8 If such the sweetness of the streams,
What must the fountain be,
Where saints and angels draw their bliss
Immediately from thee?

275.

Reading the Scriptures.

If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God. James
i. 5.

We are not as many who corrupt the word of God.
2 Cor. ii. 17, see iv. 2.

His name is called THE WORD OF GOD. Rev.
xix. 13.

1 **SAY**, Christian, wouldst thou thrive
In knowledge of the Lord?
Against no scripture ever strive,
But reverence the word.

2 If ought there dark appear,
Bewail thy want of sight;
No imperfection can be there:
The word of God is right.

3 The scriptures and the Lord
Are called by one name;
The written and th' incarnate Word
In all things are the same.

4 Christ is himself the Truth,
As well as Life and Way;
The two-edg'd sword that's in his mouth
Shall all proud reas'ners slay.

FOR THE CLOSET:

The thoughts of men are lies;
The word of God is true;
O bow to that is to be wise:
Then hear, and fear, and do.

276.

The same.

*All scripture is given by inspiration of God. 2 Tim
iii. 16.*

*And the vision of all is become unto you as the words
of a book which is sealed, &c. II. xxix. 11.*

*Understandest thou what thou readeſt? How can I?
Acts viii. 31.*

1 JESU, thy word is my delight
When thy rich grace is ſeen;
I then could ſtudy day and night,
And meditate therein.

2 When into darkneſs I am brought
I neither feel nor ſee;
The word ſeems vain; it ſtrikes me not;
All is obſcurity.

3 Unleſs God gives the ſeeing eye,
And gives the hearing ear,
So wretched, blind, and deaf am I,
I neither ſee nor hear.

FOR THE CLOSET.

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O Lamb of God, the book unseal !
 The letter is but dead ;
Let me the life and spirit feel,
 And then I love to read.

277.

A Minister's Prayer at his first coming.

My little children, of whom I travail in birth.
 Gal. iv. 19.

I made myself the servant of all; I am made all things to all men. 1 Cor. ix. 19—22.

The strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak
 Rom. xv. 1.

1 **J**ESU, hast thou sent me here?
 Now in my behalf appear ;
 Make me willing to fulfil
 All thy wise and gracious will ;
 Lord, enable me to feed
 This thy flock with living bread ;
 Give me milk to feed the lambs,
 Stronger meat for stronger names.

2 **L**et me all their burdens bear
 With a true paternal care ;
 Ever weeping with the sad,
 Or rejoicing with the glad,

D d

Condescending to the weak,
Sympathizing with the sick,
Comforting the feeble mind,
Doing good to all mankind.

3 Lord, impart to me that mind
Which in thee so brightly shin'd!
Wast thou not from all men free,
Yet wouldst thou a servant be?
Teach me in thy steps to tread;
Let me follow thee, my head;
May I take all lawful ways
To advance thy sov'reign grace.

4 Make me to the weak as weak;
Teach me with the wise to speak;
All things unto all become,
If I may win over some;
Let me labour night and day,
Turning sinners from their way;
Never think I do enough,
Lord, to set thy gospel off.

278.

A Minister's Feelings before and in
Preaching.

he wind bloweth where it listeth. John iii. 8.

Where the Spirit of the Lord is there is liberty.
2 Cor. iii. 17.

A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance. Prov.
xv. 13.

1 **H**OW barren oft am I
When I go forth to preach?
Then "Teach me, teach me, Lord," I cry,
"That I may others teach;
"Do thou stand by me, Lord;
"My mouth and wisdom be;
"And greatly magnify thy word
"By such a worm as me."

2 But, when the Spirit blows,
And Jesus warms my heart,
'Tis only God himself who knows
What joy o'erflows my heart;
'Tis then I preach the word
With unction from above;
'Tis then I chirrup like a bird,
And sing of dying love.

279.

A Minister reconciled to Repro

It is enough for the servant to be as his Lord
xx. 25.

We indeed justly; but this man hath done
amiss. Luke xxiii. 41.

Forasmuch as they had nothing to pay, he
forgave them both. Luke vii. 42.

- 1 **W**HY does my foolish heart repine
At shame and suff'rings, Lord, li
Why am I backward to go on,
And dread the thorny path to run?
- 2 If men discern how vile I am,
They can't give me too bad a name:
Enthusiast—Antinomian—fool—
Are too high titles for my soul.
- 3 Yet lo! my Saviour pardons all,
That I may other sinners call;
He bids me testify abroad
The gospel of the grace of God.
- 4 Jesu, on me thy armour gird—
The shield of faith; the Spirit's sword
The breast-plate of thy righteousness
My feet well shod with gospel peace

- 5 Salvation's helmet on my head ;
 My heart with living truth o'erspread :
 Jesus, lead on ; make clear the way ;
 Thy word of truth must win the day !

280.

**A Minister rejoicing in the Testimony of
 his Conscience.**

*It is a small thing that I should be judged of man's
 judgment. 1 Cor. iv. 3.*

*Our rejoicing is this—the testimony of our conscience.
 2 Cor. i. 12.*

*Whatsoever they were it maketh no matter to me.
 Gal. ii. 6.*

- 1 **I** F I know my conscience free,
 What care I what others say ?
 If I know Christ died for me,
 Who ought to my charge shall lay ?

- 2 All my inward consolation
 Some are ready to esteem
 Nothing but imagination,
 Or a vain delusive dream.

- 3 Some are ready to condemn me,
 That my doctrines lead to sin ;
 For an Antinomian damn me,
 Who denies a work within.

- 4 Some inquisitors assuming
By cross questions try my faith;
These suppose me too presuming,
Preach against me law and wrath.
- 5 Though by men I am rejected,
Saints and sinners me despise;
Lord, by thee I am respected;
Thou dost wipe my weeping eyes!
- 6 Though no single soul approve me,
Shall it make my hope the less?
Still I know my Saviour loves me,
Still I feel an inward peace.
- 7 This, O Lord, crowns all my wishes:
Let thy face upon me shine;
Let my soul enjoy those kisses,
Which must prove that I am thine.

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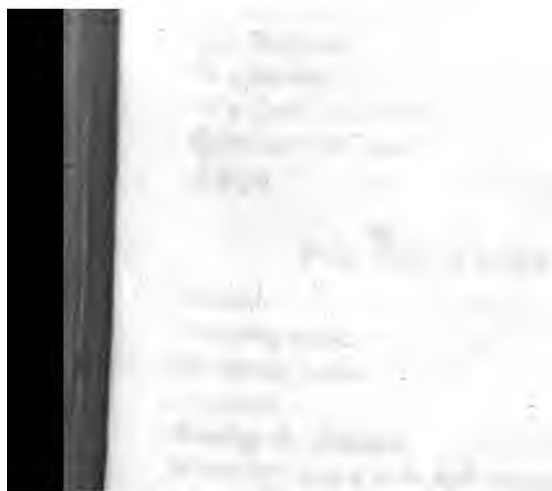
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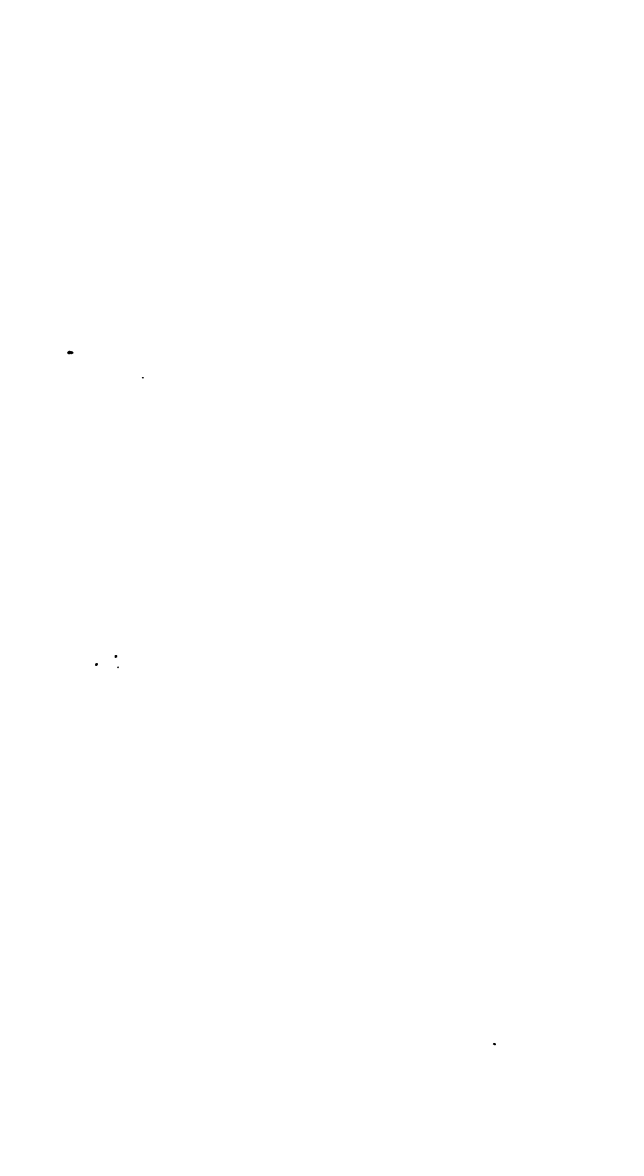
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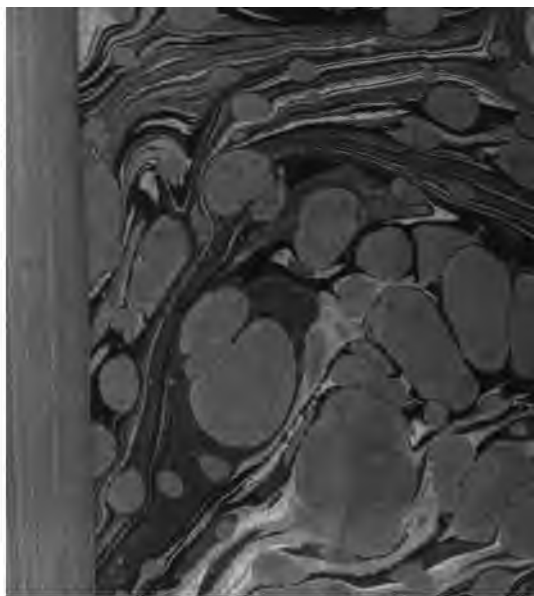
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